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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2006:354964 HCAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 145:2703  
TITLE: Demystifying small RNA pathways meeting review  
AUTHOR(S): Pasquinelli, Amy E.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Biology, University of California, San  
Diego, La Jolla, CA, 92093, USA  
SOURCE: Developmental Cell (2006), 10(4), 419-424  
CODEN: DCEEBE; ISSN: 1534-5807  
PUBLISHER: Cell Press  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; General Review  
LANGUAGE: English  
AB A review. The Keystone Symposium entitled "RNAi and Related  
Pathways," organized by Craig Mello (University of Massachusetts), Phillip  
Zamore (University of Massachusetts) and James Carrington (Oregon State  
University), was held in Vancouver, British Columbia. The meeting

participants reviewed recent reports and presented new advances in our understanding of the widespread role of small noncoding RNAs in gene regulation.

L6 ANSWER 2 OF 41 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2006 ACS on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2006:126771 HCAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 144:249154

TITLE: Functional proteomics reveals the biochemical niche of C. elegans DCR-1 in multiple small-RNA-mediated pathways

AUTHOR(S): Duchaine, Thomas F.; Wohlschlegel, James A.; Kennedy, Scott; Bei, Yanxia; Conte, Darryl, Jr.; Pang, KaMing; Brownell, Daniel R.; Harding, Sandra; Mitani, Shohei; Ruvkun, Gary; Yates, John R., III; Mello, Craig C.

CORPORATE SOURCE: Program in Molecular Medicine, University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester, MA, 01605, USA

SOURCE: Cell (Cambridge, MA, United States) (2006), 124(2), 343-354

CODEN: CELLB5; ISSN: 0092-8674

PUBLISHER: Cell Press

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal

LANGUAGE: English

AB In plants, animals, and fungi, members of the Dicer family of RNase III-related enzymes process double-stranded RNA (dsRNA) to initiate small-RNA-mediated gene-silencing mechanisms. To learn how C. elegans Dicer, DCR-1, functions in multiple distinct silencing mechanisms, we used a mass-spectrometry-based proteomics approach to identify DCR-1-interacting proteins. We then generated and characterized deletion alleles for the corresponding genes. The interactors are required for production of three species of small RNA, including (1) small interfering RNAs (siRNAs), derived from exogenous dsRNA triggers (exo-siRNAs); (2) siRNAs derived from endogenous triggers (endo-siRNAs); and (3) developmental regulatory microRNAs (miRNAs). One interactor, the conserved RNA-phosphatase homolog PIR-1, is required for the processing of a putative amplified DCR-1 substrate. Interactors required for endo-siRNA production include ERI-1 and RRF-3, whose loss of function enhances RNAi. Our findings provide a first glimpse at the complex biochem. niche of Dicer and suggest that competition exists between DCR-1-mediated small-RNA pathways.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2005:15883 HCAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 142:87587

TITLE: Mammalian embryonic stem (ES) cells having enhanced RNAi effect

INVENTOR(S): Katsuki, Motoya; Ishida, Mitsuyoshi; Kato, Minoru

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Mitsubishi Chemical Corporation, Japan

SOURCE: U.S. Pat. Appl. Publ., 26 pp., Cont.-in-part of Appl. No. PCT/JP02/11831.

CODEN: USXXCO

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WO 2002-JP11831 A2 20021113

AB The object of the present invention is to provide ES cells and mammals having enhanced RNAi effect, which can be used to analyze gene functions at an individual level. The present invention provides ES cells having enhanced RNAi effect, which are obtained by performing genetic manipulation on ES cells.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2006:380482 BIOSIS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200600385781

TITLE: RNAi beginnings, overview of the pathway in C-elegans.

AUTHOR(S): Grishok, Alla [Reprint Author]

CORPORATE SOURCE: MIT, Ctr Canc Res, 40 Ames St, Cambridge, MA 02139 USA  
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SOURCE: Appasani, K [Editor]. (2005) pp. 17-28. RNA Interference Technology: From Basic Science to Drug Development. Publisher: CAMBRIDGE UNIV PRESS, 40 WEST 20TH ST, NEW YORK, NY 10011 USA.  
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DUPLICATE 1

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2006:152965 BIOSIS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200600153005

TITLE: An antiviral role for the RNA interference machinery in Caenorhabditis elegans.

AUTHOR(S): Schott, Daniel H.; Cureton, David K.; Whelan, Sean P.; Hunter, Craig P. [Reprint Author]

CORPORATE SOURCE: Harvard Univ, Dept Mol and Cellular Biol, Cambridge, MA 02138 USA  
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SOURCE: Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America, (DEC 20 2005) Vol. 102, No. 51, pp. 18420-18424.

CODEN: PNASA6. ISSN: 0027-8424.

DOCUMENT TYPE: Article

LANGUAGE: English

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AB RNA interference (RNAi) is a sequence-specific gene-silencing mechanism triggered by exogenous dsRNA. In plants an RNAi-like mechanism defends against viruses, but the hypothesis that animals possess a similar natural antiviral mechanism related to RNAi remains relatively untested. To test whether genes needed for RNAi defend animal cells against virus infection, we infected wild-type and RNAi-defective cells of the nematode C elegans with vesicular stomatitis virus engineered to encode a GFP fusion protein. We show that upon infection, cells lacking components of the RNAi apparatus produce more GFP and infective particles than wild-type cells. Furthermore, we show that mutant cells with enhanced RNAi produce less GFP. Our observation that multiple genes required for RNAi are also required for resistance to vesicular stomatitis virus suggests that the RNAi machinery functions in resistance to viruses in nature.

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DUPLICATE 2

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2005441203 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 16107852  
TITLE: RNA interference is an antiviral defence  
mechanism in *Caenorhabditis elegans*.  
AUTHOR: Wilkins Courtney; Dishongh Ryan; Moore Steve C; Whitt  
Michael A; Chow Marie; Machaca Khaled  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Microbiology, University of Arkansas for  
Medical Sciences, Little Rock, Arkansas 72205, USA.  
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AB RNA interference (RNAi) is an evolutionarily conserved  
sequence-specific post-transcriptional gene silencing mechanism that is  
well defined genetically in *Caenorhabditis elegans*. RNAi has  
been postulated to function as an adaptive antiviral immune mechanism in  
the worm, but there is no experimental evidence for this. Part of the  
limitation is that there are no known natural viral pathogens of *C.*  
*elegans*. Here we describe an infection model in *C. elegans* using the  
mammalian pathogen vesicular stomatitis virus (VSV) to study the role of  
RNAi in antiviral immunity. VSV infection is potentiated in cells  
derived from RNAi-defective worm mutants (*rde-*  
*1*; *rde-4*), leading to the production of infectious progeny virus,  
and is inhibited in mutants with an enhanced RNAi response  
(*rrf-3*; *eri-1*). Because the RNAi response occurs in the absence  
of exogenously added VSV small interfering RNAs, these results show that  
RNAi is activated during VSV infection and that RNAi is  
a genuine antiviral immune defence mechanism in the worm.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2005441202 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 16107851  
TITLE: Animal virus replication and RNAi-mediated  
antiviral silencing in *Caenorhabditis elegans*.  
AUTHOR: Lu R; Maduro M; Li F; Li H W; Broitman-Maduro G; Li W X;  
Ding S W  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Institute for Integrative Genome Biology and Department of  
Plant Pathology, University of California, Riverside,  
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AB The worm *Caenorhabditis elegans* is a model system for studying many  
aspects of biology, including host responses to bacterial pathogens, but  
it is not known to support replication of any virus. Plants and insects  
encode multiple Dicer enzymes that recognize distinct precursors of small  
RNAs and may act cooperatively. However, it is not known whether the  
single Dicer of worms and mammals is able to initiate the small RNA-guided  
RNA interference (RNAi) antiviral immunity as occurs  
in plants and insects. Here we show complete replication of the Flock

house virus (FHV) bipartite, plus-strand RNA genome in *C. elegans*. We show that FHV replication in *C. elegans* triggers potent antiviral silencing that requires RDE-1, an Argonaute protein essential for RNAi mediated by small interfering RNAs (siRNAs) but not by microRNAs. This immunity system is capable of rapid virus clearance in the absence of FHV B2 protein, which acts as a broad-spectrum RNAi inhibitor upstream of rde-1 by targeting the siRNA precursor. This work establishes a *C. elegans* model for genetic studies of animal virus-host interactions and indicates that mammals might use a siRNA pathway as an antiviral response.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2005137829 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 15741313  
 TITLE: Transcriptional silencing of a transgene by RNAi in the soma of *C. elegans*.  
 AUTHOR: Grishok Alla; Sinskey Jina L; Sharp Phillip A  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Center for Cancer Research, McGovern Institute, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139, USA.  
 CONTRACT NUMBER: P01-CA42063 (NCI)  
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 SOURCE: Genes & development, (2005 Mar 15) Vol. 19, No. 6, pp. 683-96. Electronic Publication: 2005-03-01.  
 Journal code: 8711660. ISSN: 0890-9369.  
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 AB The silencing of transgene expression at the level of transcription in the soma of *Caenorhabditis elegans* through an RNAi-dependent pathway has not been previously characterized. Most gene silencing due to RNAi in *C. elegans* occurs at the post-transcriptional level. We observed transcriptional silencing when worms containing the elt-2::gfp/LacZ transgene were fed RNA produced from the commonly used L4440 vector. The transgene and the vector share plasmid backbone sequences. This transgene silencing depends on multiple RNAi pathway genes, including dcr-1, rde-1, rde-4, and rrf-1. Unlike post-transcriptional gene silencing in worms, elt-2::gfp/LacZ silencing is dependent on the PAZ-PIWI protein Alg-1 and on the HP1 homolog Hpl-2. The latter is a chromatin silencing factor, and expression of the transgene is inhibited at the level of intron-containing precursor mRNA. This inhibition is accompanied by a decrease in the acetylation of histones associated with the transgene. This transcriptional silencing in the soma can be distinguished from transgene silencing in the germline by its inability to be transmitted across generations and its dependence on the rde-1 gene. We therefore define this type of silencing as RNAi-induced Transcriptional Gene Silencing (RNAi-TGS). Additional chromatin-modifying components affecting RNAi-TGS were identified in a candidate RNAi screen.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2005:229753 SCISEARCH  
 THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 901FC  
 TITLE: A member of the polymerase beta nucleotidyltransferase superfamily is required for RNA interference in *C-elegans*

AUTHOR: Chen C C G; Simard M J; Tabara H; Brownell D R; McCollough J A; Mello C C (Reprint)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Univ Massachusetts, Sch Med, Program Mol Med, Worcester, MA 01605 USA (Reprint); Univ Massachusetts, Sch Med, Howard Hughes Med Inst, Worcester, MA 01605 USA; Kyoto Univ, HMRO, Grad Sch Med, Kyoto 6068501, Japan craig.mello@umassmed.edu  
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AB RNA interference (RNAi) is an ancient, highly conserved mechanism in which small RNA molecules (siRNAs) guide the sequence-specific silencing of gene expression [1]. Several silencing machinery protein components have been identified, including helicases, RNase-related proteins, double- and singlestranded RNA binding proteins, and RNA-dependent RNA polymerase-related proteins [2]. Work on these factors has led to the revelation that RNAi mechanisms intersect with cellular pathways required for development and fertility (3, 4]. Despite rapid progress in understanding key steps in the RNAi pathway, it is clear that many factors required for both RNAi and related developmental mechanisms have not yet been identified. Here, we report the characterization of the *C. elegans* gene *rde-3*. Genetic analysis of presumptive null alleles indicates that *rde-3* is required for siRNA accumulation and for efficient RNAi in all tissues, and it is essential for fertility and viability at high temperatures. RDE-3 contains conserved domains found in the polymerase beta nucleotidyltransferase superfamily, which includes conventional poly(A) polymerases, 2'-5' oligoadenylate synthetase (OAS), and yeast Trf4p [5]. These findings implicate a new enzymatic modality in RNAi and suggest possible models for the role of RDE-3 in the RNAi mechanism.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2005027594 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 15653635  
TITLE: RDE-2 interacts with MUT-7 to mediate RNA interference in *Caenorhabditis elegans*.  
AUTHOR: Tops Bastiaan B J; Tabara Hiroaki; Sijen Titia; Simmer Femke; Mello Craig C; Plasterk Ronald H A; Ketting Rene F  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Hubrecht Laboratory, Centre for Biomedical Genetics Uppsalaalaan 8, 3584 CT Utrecht, The Netherlands.  
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AB In *Caenorhabditis elegans*, the activity of transposable elements is repressed in the germline. One of the mechanisms involved in this repression is RNA interference (RNAi), a process in



which dsRNA targets cleavage of mRNAs in a sequence-specific manner. The first gene found to be involved in RNAi and transposon silencing in *C.elegans* is *mut-7*, a gene encoding a putative exoribonuclease. Here, we show that the *MUT-7* protein resides in complexes of approximately 250 kDa in the nucleus and in the cytosol. In addition, we find that upon triggering of RNAi the cytosolic *MUT-7* complex increases in size. This increase is independent of the presence of target RNA, but does depend on the presence of *RDE-1* and *RDE-4*, two proteins involved in small interfering RNA (siRNA) production. Finally, using a yeast two-hybrid screen, we identified *RDE-2/MUT-8* as one of the other components of this complex. This protein is encoded by the *rde-2/mut-8* locus, previously implicated in RNAi and transposon silencing. Using genetic complementation analysis, we show that the interaction between these two proteins is required for efficient RNAi in vivo. Together these data support a role for the *MUT-7/RDE-2* complex downstream of siRNA formation, but upstream of siRNA mediated target RNA recognition, possibly indicating a role in the siRNA amplification step.

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 THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 939JA  
 TITLE: Molecular characterization of *Entamoeba histolytica* RNase III and AGO2, two RNA interference hallmark proteins  
 AUTHOR: Abed M; Ankri S (Reprint)  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Technion Israel Inst Technol, Bruce Rappaport Fac Med, Dept Mol Microbiol, POB 9649, IL-31096 Haifa, Israel (Reprint); Technion Israel Inst Technol, Bruce Rappaport Fac Med, Dept Mol Microbiol, IL-31096 Haifa, Israel sankri@tx.technion.ac.il  
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AB *Entamoeba histolytica*, a protozoan parasite with variable DNA content and complex ploidity, has defied most efforts aimed at gene depletion using classical genetic methods. In this study, we identified and characterized two proteins involved in the RNA interference (RNAi) pathway, RNase III and AGO2. Our results strengthen the findings that an RNAi pathway does exist in this parasite. (c) 2005 Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2004-12362 BIOTECHDS  
 TITLE: Inhibiting RNAi response in cell, by contacting cell with dsRNA involved in RNAi response, and inhibiting RNAi response, useful for increasing lifespan or treating premature aging in a subject who has abnormal aging disorder;  
 RNA interference response inhibition for use in disease therapy and gene therapy  
 AUTHOR: KENYON C; DILLIN A; MURPHY C  
 PATENT ASSIGNEE: UNIV CALIFORNIA

PATENT INFO: WO 2004029215 8 Apr 2004  
APPLICATION INFO: WO 2003-US30531 26 Sep 2003  
PRIORITY INFO: US 2002-413794 26 Sep 2002; US 2002-413794 26 Sep 2002  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
LANGUAGE: English  
OTHER SOURCE: WPI: 2004-305156 [28]

AB DERWENT ABSTRACT:

NOVELTY - Inhibiting (M1) an RNAi response in a cell, involves contacting the cell with a dsRNA involved in the RNAi response, thus inhibiting an RNAi response in a cell.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following: (1) inhibiting (M2) an RNAi response in a subject, involves administering a dsRNA involved in the RNAi response to the subject, thus inhibiting an RNAi response in a cell; (2) increasing (M3) lifespan or treating premature aging in a subject, involves carrying out (M2); and (3) altering (M4) lifespan regulation in a subject, involves contacting the organism with a dsRNA involved in the RNAi response, thus inhibiting an RNAi response in a cell.

BIOTECHNOLOGY - Preferred Method: In (M1), the dsRNA is a dicer (dcr-1) dsRNA, a rde-1 dsRNA, an smg-5 dsRNA, an ego-1 dsRNA, or a rde-4 dsRNA. The inhibition of the RNAi response in a cell modulates an age-associated parameter, expression of a lifespan associated gene chosen from cellular stress-response gene, an antimicrobial gene, a metabolic gene, a steroid or lipid-soluble hormone synthesis gene, a fatty acid desaturation gene or its homolog or ortholog. The inhibition of the RNAi response modulates the expression of a lifespan associated gene chosen from cytochrome P450, an estradiol-17-beta-dehydrogenase, a alcohol/short-chain dehydrogenase, an esterase, a UDP-glucuronosyltransferase, an aminopeptidase, a carboxypeptidase, an amino-oxidase, an aminoacylase, an oligopeptide transporter, metallothionein, a receptor guanylate cyclase, a mitochondrial superoxide dismutase, a catalase, lysozyme, saposin, vitellogenin, glutathione-S-transferase, heat-shock protein, heat-shock factor, an F-box/cullin/Skp protein, an isocitrate lyase, a malate synthase ASMTL, insulin, IFG1 or IFG2 or its homolog or ortholog. The dcr-1 is human dcr-1, or C. elegans dcr-1. The age-associated parameter is lifespan. The modulation is inhibition of aging. The homolog or ortholog is a human homolog or ortholog.

ACTIVITY - Dermatological; Vasotropic; Nootropic; Cytostatic.

MECHANISM OF ACTION - Inhibitor of RNAi response (claimed). The ability of dicer dsRNA to inhibit RNAi response in a cell was determined. To lower daf-2 activity during the larval stages only, wild-type animals were grown on bacteria expressing daf-2 dsRNA and then shifted to bacteria expressing dcr-1 dsRNA as day 1 adults. Control animals were grown during development on the RNAi bacteria containing the vector only and then shifted to dcr-1 RNAi bacteria as day 1 adults. Animals were grown at 25 degreesC. Daf-2 RNA was inactivated using daf-2 specific RNAi. The animals were removed from the environment RNAi stimulus (food bacteria expressing daf-2 dsRNA). The RNAi response continued to exert its effect during the adult stages and caused an increased lifespan. By shifting these animals to dcr-1RNAi in early adulthood, increased lifespan was blocked, by blocking the existing RNAi response against daf-2. In the second experiment loss of mitochondrial electron transport activity during the early development stages caused an increased adult lifespan. In contrast to the daf-2 experiment, this increased lifespan could not be reduced if the animals were shifted to dcr-1 RNAi as adults.

USE - (M1) is useful for inhibiting an RNAi response in a cell. (M2) is useful for inhibiting an RNAi response in a subject which is a mammal, preferably an adult. The mammal is a non-diabetic, non-obese adult who is not at risk for or does not have a premature aging disorder. The mammal is a healthy adult. (M3) is useful

for increasing lifespan or treating premature aging in a subject who has abnormal aging disorder such as Werner syndrome, Hutchinson-Guilford disease, Bloom's syndrome, Cockayne's syndrome, ataxia telangiectasia, and Down's syndrome (claimed).

ADMINISTRATION - The dcr-1 dsRNA is administered by parental, oral, inhalation, transdermal or rectal routes of administration. No specific dosage details are given.

EXAMPLE - Total RNA was extracted from approximately 20000 synchronized, sterile animals using trizol. Before harvest, animals were exposed to bacteria containing the RNAi vector or containing the daf-2 RNAi construct from the L1 until the L4 larval stage or from day 8 until day 10 of adulthood. Four mug of total RNA was used for one round of reverse transcription (RT) using oligo dT primers. Serial dilutions of the RT reaction (1:1-1:245) was used for PCR reaction using daf-2 specific primers. RNAi was directed to a non-overlapping 5' end of daf-2. Serial dilutions of the RT reaction (1:1-1:2) was used for PCR reaction using daf-16 specific primers. RNAi was directed to a non-overlapping 5' end of daf-16. Four mul of a 50 mul PCR reaction was analyzed on agarose gels using ethidium bromide. Wild-type hermaphrodites were allowed to lay eggs onto the control RNAi bacteria or daf-2 RNAi bacteria at 20 degreesC. The eggs were then shifted to 27 degreesC and the presence of dauer larvae were scored 48 hours later when animals would normally be reproductive adults. Lifespan, reproduction and stress assays were conducted at 20 degreesC. The total number of progeny born to a single worm over time was measured. Briefly, worms hatched within a 1 hour period was collected and allowed to develop to the L4 stage. Once in the L4 stage, worms were individually placed onto separate plates. In all cases, at least 15 worms were used for each analysis. Worms were transferred to new plates every 12 hours and the resulting progeny were allowed to grow for two days until counted for progeny measurements. The % of total progeny was calculated for each time point by dividing the number of progeny produced on a time point by the total number of progeny produced over the course of the experiment. (70 pages)

L6 ANSWER 13 OF 41 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 7  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2004352241 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 15255192  
TITLE: Metalloproteases with EGF, CUB, and thrombospondin-1 domains function in molting of *Caenorhabditis elegans*.  
AUTHOR: Suzuki Mami; Sagoh Noriko; Iwasaki Hideki; Inoue Hideshi; Takahashi Kenji  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Laboratory of Molecular Biochemistry, School of Life Science, Tokyo University of Pharmacy and Life Science, 1432-1 Horinouchi, Hachioji, Tokyo 192-0392, Japan.  
SOURCE: Biological chemistry, (2004 Jun) Vol. 385, No. 6, pp. 565-8.  
Journal code: 9700112. ISSN: 1431-6730.  
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LANGUAGE: English  
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ENTRY MONTH: 200501  
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AB Functional analysis using RNAi was performed on eleven genes for metalloproteases of the M12A family in *Caenorhabditis elegans* and the interference of the C17G1.6 gene (nas-37) was found to cause incomplete molting. The RNAi of the C26C6.3 gene (nas-36) also caused a similar molting defect but not so severely as that of the nas-37 gene. Both the genes encode an astacin-like metalloprotease with an epidermal growth factor (EGF)-like domain, a CUB domain, and a thrombospondin-1 domain, in this order. The promoter-driven green

fluorescent protein (GFP) expression analysis suggested that they are expressed in hypodermal cells throughout the larval stages and in the vulva of adult animals. In the genetic background of *rde-1(ne219)*, where RNAi does not work, the molting defect caused by the *nas-37* interference was observed when the transgenic wild-type *rde-1* gene was expressed under the control of the *dpy-7* promoter, known to be active in the hypodermal cells, but not under the control of the *myo-3* promoter, active in the muscular cells. Therefore these proteases are thought to be secreted by the hypodermal cells and to participate in shedding of old cuticles.

L6 ANSWER 14 OF 41 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2006 ACS on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2005:955477 HCAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 143:363701  
TITLE: Regulation of *Caenorhabditis elegans* RNA interference by the *daf-2* insulin stress and longevity signaling pathways  
AUTHOR(S): Wang, D.; Ruvkun, G.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Molecular Biology, Massachusetts General Hospital and Department of Genetics, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA, 02114, USA  
SOURCE: Cold Spring Harbor Symposia on Quantitative Biology (2004), 69, 429-431  
CODEN: CSHSAZ; ISSN: 0091-7451  
PUBLISHER: Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal  
LANGUAGE: English

AB This study showed that *Caenorhabditis elegans* mutants with decreased insulin-like signaling have a more intense RNA interference (RNAi) response than wild type. Such regulation of RNAi by this stress and longevity signaling pathway suggests a role in response to pathogens such as viruses. Mutations in the insulin-like pathway enhance RNAi response and this enhancement is dependent on the DAF-16 fork head transcription factor. The insulin-like metabolic and longevity signaling is transduced by the fork head transcription factor DAF-16. One model for how insulin-like signaling affects RNAi is that components that pos. regulate RNAi, like *dcr-1* and *rde-1*, are pos. regulated by DAF-16; or components that neg. regulate RNAi, like *eri-1* and *rrf-3*, are neg. regulated by DAF-16.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2004:240580 HCAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 141:49068  
TITLE: RNA interference: a practical approach  
AUTHOR(S): Duxbury, Mark S.; Whang, Edward E.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Brigham and Women's Hospital, Department of Surgery, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA, 02115, USA  
SOURCE: Journal of Surgical Research (2004), 117(2), 339-344  
CODEN: JSGRA2; ISSN: 0022-4804  
PUBLISHER: Elsevier Science  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; General Review  
LANGUAGE: English

AB A review. Few new mol. biol. techniques have advanced to find practical application as rapidly as RNA interference (RNAi). RNAi denotes the highly specific posttranslational silencing of gene expression that occurs in response to the introduction of double-stranded RNA into a cell. The purpose of this review is to present practical guidelines for designing and executing RNAi expts. We summarize the mechanisms underlying RNAi in mammalian cells and focus on practical advice for investigators conducting RNAi expts. We suggest criteria to help select a suitable target gene

sequence, define the structural characteristics of effective siRNAs, discuss transfection strategies, and describe exptl. design, including important control methods. RNAi represents a powerful tool for determining the functions of specific genes.

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L6 ANSWER 16 OF 41 BIOTECHDS COPYRIGHT 2006 THE THOMSON CORP. on STN  
DUPLICATE 8

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2004-00966 BIOTECHDS

TITLE: Novel embryonic stem cell having increased RNA interference effect and obtained by genetically manipulating embryonic stem cells, useful for analysis of gene function in organisms;  
functional genomics study involving use of transfected stem cell and transgenic animal model

PATENT ASSIGNEE: GENCOM KK

PATENT INFO: JP 2003144141 20 May 2003

APPLICATION INFO: JP 2001-348705 14 Nov 2001

PRIORITY INFO: JP 2001-348705 14 Nov 2001; JP 2001-348705 14 Nov 2001

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OTHER SOURCE: WPI: 2003-818155 [77]

AB DERWENT ABSTRACT:

NOVELTY - Embryonic stem cell (I) having increased RNA interference (RNAi) effect obtained by genetically manipulating an embryonic stem cell, is new.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is included for a non-human mammal and its off spring derived from (I) or its part.

BIOTECHNOLOGY - Preferred Stem cell: (I) is obtained by introducing a RNAi related gene to an embryonic stem cell. The RNAi related gene is a gene which codes a factor associated with the formation of a sequence specific intermediate, a gene which codes a factor associated with target gene suppression, a gene which codes a RNA dependent RNA polymerase or a gene which codes a helicase. The RNAi related gene is preferably Nematode rde-1 or rde-4 gene, fungi qde-2 gene, Arabidopsis ago-1 gene, a dicer gene or its homolog gene which codes the protein of a PAZ/Piwi family etc., nematode Mut-7 gene, nematode rde-2, fungi qde-1 gene, nematode ego-1 gene, Arabidopsis sgs 2/sde 1 gene, fungi qde-3 gene, nematode smg-2 gene, Chlamydomonas mut 6 gene or Arabidopsis sde 3 gene, more preferably nematode rde-1 gene or Mut-7 gene. (I) is obtained by introducing a expression vector containing a RNAi related gene which can be expressed within a host cell, into an embryonic stem cell. (I) further comprises a recombinant gene (II) which contains a inverse repeat sequence of a target gene that can be expressed in a mammalian cell. (II) is present downstream of a promoter sequence functional in mammalian cell. (II) contains an enhancer sequence in the upstream of the promoter sequence, and further contains an insulator sequence or its fragment. (II) contains a poly A addition signal sequence in the downstream of the inverse repeat sequence of a target gene e.g., exogenous reporter protein or a gene encoding a variant protein. Preferably the exogenous reporter protein is enhanced green fluorescent protein (EGFP). Embryonic stem cell has an accession-number FERM P-18574 or P-18575. Preferred Mammal: The non-human mammal or its offspring is chosen from mouse, rat, hamster, guinea pig, rabbit dog, cat, horse, cow, sheep, pig, goat, and monkey.

USE - (I) is useful for analysis of gene function.

ADVANTAGE - A gene can be suppressed reliably. Related genes can be analyzed rapidly compared to the knock-out method.

EXAMPLE - A embryonic stem cell d2EGFP was established as follows. The target gene encoding enhanced green fluorescent protein (EGFP) was used to establish the stem cell d2EGFP. The d2EGFP expression vector used was pUC19 5', 3' INS24 OCE EGFP. The vector was further inserted with an

insulation sequence, a cytomegalovirus (CMV) enhances sequence and an EF-1 alpha sequence inserted to the right side of the BamH I fragment and pd2EGFP 5' INS240 CE was obtained. pd2EGFP 5' INS240 CE was digested using EcoR I and Bsa I and transfected into embryonic stem cell by electroporation method. pd2EGFP embryonic stem cell strain colony was confirmed by the EGFP fluorescence detected using a fluorescence microscope. The embryonic stem cells were cultured by standard methods. Each embryonic stem cell proliferated on the feeder cell was peeled by trypsin-EDTA and cultured in an gelatin coated plate. Then it was transfected using pUC19 5' INS240 EGFP IR having EGFP dsRNA gene containing inverse repeat sequence JP2001046089. A control was built using the plasmid with HPRT (Hypoxanthine phosphoribosyl transferase) dsRNA expression gene (inverse repeat sequence gene). The fluorescence of the cells were analyzed by FACScan. The fluorescence reduction was compared with the control which does not contain the gene. The results showed that the fluorescent reduction of the cell raises 28% compared to the control. (17 pages)

L6 ANSWER 17 OF 41 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2006 ACS on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:417858 HCAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 139:1986

TITLE: Facilitation of RNA interference (RNAi) in mammalian cell using invertebrate RNA-dependent RNA polymerase (RdRP) gene family involved in RNAi

INVENTOR(S): Mello, Craig C.; Conte, Darryl, Jr.; Chen, Chun-Chieh

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): University of Massachusetts, USA

SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 47 pp.

CODEN: PIXXD2

DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent

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AU 2002360394	A1	20030610	AU 2002-360394	20021115
US 2003114409	A1	20030619	US 2002-295809	20021115
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			US 2001-333811P	P 20011116
			US 2001-331672P	P 20011119
			WO 2002-US36725	W 20021115
AB The present invention features compns. and methods to induce or enhance RNA interference (RNAi) in cells, systems, and organisms using mols. that mediate RNAi in invertebrates such as Caenorhabditis elegans. The invention is based, in part, on the discovery that members of the C. elegans RNA-dependent RNA polymerase (RdRP) gene family, namely ego-1 and rrf-1 genes, are involved in, and can be essential for, RNAi. Thus, RdRP expression can be used to induce or enhance RNAi in cells, including mammalian cells. RdRP genes can be expressed in combination with one or more of the other genes of the RNAi system, such as Dicer, RDE-1				

, or RDE-4.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2004:124284 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200400120663  
TITLE: RNAi in Caenorhabditis elegans.  
AUTHOR(S): Ketting, Rene F. [Reprint Author]; Tijsterman, Marcel  
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CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Functional Genomics, Hubrecht Laboratory,  
3584 CT, Utrecht, Netherlands  
SOURCE: Hannon, Gregory J. [Editor, Reprint Author]. (2003) pp.  
65-85. RNAi: A guide to gene silencing. print.  
Publisher: Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, 1 Bungtown  
Road, P. O. Box 100, Cold Spring Harbor, NY, 11724-2203,  
USA.  
ISBN: 0-87969-641-9 (cloth).  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Book; (Book Chapter)  
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L6 ANSWER 19 OF 41 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 9

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003577668 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 14657490  
TITLE: Mutations in RNAi rescue aberrant chemotaxis of  
ADAR mutants.  
AUTHOR: Tonkin Leath A; Bass Brenda L  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Biochemistry and Howard Hughes Medical  
Institute, University of Utah, 20 North 1900 East, Salt  
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CONTRACT NUMBER: GM44073 (NIGMS)  
SOURCE: Science, (2003 Dec 5) Vol. 302, No. 5651, pp. 1725.  
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PUB. COUNTRY: United States  
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:770070 SCISEARCH  
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 720HL  
TITLE: Transport of dsRNA into cells by the transmembrane protein  
SID-1  
AUTHOR: Feinberg E H; Hunter C P (Reprint)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Harvard Univ, Dept Mol & Cellular Biol, 16 Divin Ave,  
Cambridge, MA 02138 USA (Reprint); Harvard Univ, Dept Mol  
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COUNTRY OF AUTHOR: USA  
SOURCE: SCIENCE, (12 SEP 2003) Vol. 301, No. 5639, pp. 1545-1547.  
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WASHINGTON, DC 20005 USA.  
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AB RNA interference (RNAi) spreads systemically in plants and nematodes to silence gene expression distant from the site of initiation. We previously identified a gene, *sid-1*, essential for systemic but not cell-autonomous RNAi in *Caenorhabditis elegans*. Here, we demonstrate that *SID-1* is a multispan transmembrane protein that sensitizes *Drosophila* cells to soaking RNAi with a potency that is dependent on double-stranded RNA (dsRNA) length. Further analyses revealed that *SID-1* enables passive cellular uptake of dsRNA. These data indicate that systemic RNAi in *C. elegans* involves *SID-1*-mediated intercellular transport of dsRNA.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:682305 SCISEARCH  
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 706RN  
TITLE: A gene encoding an RNase D exonuclease-like protein is required for post-transcriptional silencing in *Arabidopsis*  
AUTHOR: Glazov E; Phillips K; Budziszewski G J; Meins F (Reprint); Levin J Z  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Novartis Res Fdn, Friedrich Miescher Inst Biomed Res, Maulbeerstr 66, CH-4058 Basel, Switzerland (Reprint); Novartis Res Fdn, Friedrich Miescher Inst Biomed Res, CH-4058 Basel, Switzerland; Syngenta Biotechnol Inc, Res Triangle Pk, NC 27709 USA  
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SOURCE: PLANT JOURNAL, (AUG 2003) Vol. 35, No. 3, pp. 342-349. ISSN: 0960-7412.  
PUBLISHER: BLACKWELL PUBLISHING LTD, 9600 GARSINGTON RD, OXFORD OX4 2DG, OXON, ENGLAND.  
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AB Post-transcriptional gene silencing (PTGS) and the closely related phenomenon RNA interference (RNAi) result from the initial endonucleolytic cleavage of target mRNAs, which are then presumed to be completely hydrolyzed by exoribonucleases. To date, no plant genes required for PTGS are known to encode exoribonucleases. The *Arabidopsis* Werner Syndrome-like exonuclease (WEX) gene encodes an RNase D domain most similar to that in human Werner Syndrome protein (WRN), but lacks the RecQ helicase domain. It is also related to *Caenorhabditis elegans* *mut-7*, which is essential for RNAi, PTGS, and transposon activity. We isolated a loss-of-function mutant, *wex-1*, that showed greatly reduced expression of WEX mRNA and early flowering. Although *wex-1* did not affect expression of a robust marker for transcriptional gene silencing (TGS), PTGS of a green-fluorescent-protein (GFP) reporter gene was blocked in *wex-1* and restored by ectopic expression of WEX, indicating that WEX is required for PTGS but not TGS. Thus, members of the RNase D protein family are required for PTGS in both plants and animals. Interestingly, WEX has been shown to interact with an *Arabidopsis* RecQ helicase, suggesting that these proteins might comprise a functional equivalent of WRN.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:1007849 SCISEARCH  
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 744YQ  
TITLE: Transposon silencing in the *Caenorhabditis elegans* germ line by natural RNAi  
AUTHOR: Sijen T; Plasterk R H A (Reprint)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Netherlands Inst Dev Biol, Hubrecht Lab, Uppsalalaan 8, NL-3584 CT Utrecht, Netherlands (Reprint); Netherlands



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AB Transposable elements are stretches of DNA that can move and multiply within the genome of an organism. The *Caenorhabditis elegans* genome contains multiple Tc1 transposons that jump in somatic cells, but are silenced in the germ line(1-3). Many mutants that have lost this silencing have also lost the ability to execute RNA interference (RNAi)(2,3), a process whereby genes are suppressed by exposure to homologous double-stranded RNA ( dsRNA). Here we show how RNAi causes transposon silencing in the nematode germ line. We find evidence for transposon-derived dsRNAs, in particular to the terminal inverted repeats, and show that these RNAs may derive from read-through transcription of entire transposable elements. Small interfering RNAs of Tc1 were detected. When a germline-expressed reporter gene is fused to a stretch of Tc1 sequence, this transgene is silenced in a manner dependent on functional mutator genes (mut-7, mut-16 and pk732). These results indicate that RNAi surveillance is triggered by fortuitous read-through transcription of dispersed Tc1 copies, which can form dsRNA as a result of 'snap-back' of the terminal inverted repeats. RNAi mediated by this dsRNA silences transposase gene expression.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:932509 SCISEARCH  
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 734DD  
TITLE: R2D2 leads the silencing trigger to mRNA's death star  
AUTHOR: Pellino J L (Reprint); Sontheimer E J  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Northwestern Univ, Dept Biochem Mol Biol & Cell Biol,  
Evanston, IL 60208 USA (Reprint)  
COUNTRY OF AUTHOR: USA  
SOURCE: CELL, (17 OCT 2003) Vol. 115, No. 2, pp. 132-133.  
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AB During RNA interference (RNAi), Dicer generates short interfering RNAs (siRNAs), which then guide target mRNA cleavage by the RISC complex. Now, Liu et al. identify R2D2, a Dicer-associated protein that is important for siRNA incorporation into RISC, thus linking the initiation and execution phases of RNAi.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:596077 SCISEARCH  
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 696HV  
TITLE: Gene silencing in *Caenorhabditis elegans* by transitive RNA interference  
AUTHOR: Alder M N; Dames S; Gaudet J; Mango S E (Reprint)

CORPORATE SOURCE: Univ Utah, Huntsmann Canc Inst, 200 Circle Hope, Salt Lake City, UT 84112 USA (Reprint); Univ Utah, Huntsmann Canc Inst, Salt Lake City, UT 84112 USA

COUNTRY OF AUTHOR: USA

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PUBLISHER: COLD SPRING HARBOR LAB PRESS, PUBLICATIONS DEPT, 500 SUNNYSIDE BLVD, WOODBURY, NY 11797-2924 USA.

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AB When a cell is exposed to double-stranded RNA (dsRNA), mRNA from the homologous gene is selectively degraded by a process called RNA interference (RNAi). Here, we provide evidence that dsRNA is amplified in *Caenorhabditis elegans* to ensure a robust RNAi response. Our data suggest a model in which mRNA targeted by RNAi functions as a template for 5' to 3' synthesis of new dsRNA (termed transitive RNAi). Strikingly, the effect is nonautonomous: dsRNA targeted to a gene expressed in one cell type can lead to transitive RNAi-mediated silencing of a second gene expressed in a distinct cell type. These data suggest dsRNA synthesized in vivo can mediate systemic RNAi.

L6 ANSWER 25 OF 41 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT (c) 2006 The Thomson Corporation on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:602235 BIOSIS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200200602235

TITLE: The Argonaute family: Tentacles that reach into RNAi, developmental control, stem cell maintenance, and tumorigenesis.

AUTHOR(S): Carmell, Michelle A.; Xuan, Zhenyu; Zhang, Michael Q.; Hannon, Gregory J. [Reprint author]

CORPORATE SOURCE: Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, Cold Spring Harbor, NY, 11724, USA  
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SOURCE: Genes and Development, (November 1, 2002) Vol. 16, No. 21, pp. 2733-2742. print.  
CODEN: GEDEEP. ISSN: 0890-9369.

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General Review; (Literature Review)

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002466218 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 12225671

TITLE: PPW-1, a PAZ/PIWI protein required for efficient germline RNAi, is defective in a natural isolate of *C. elegans*.

AUTHOR: Tijsterman Marcel; Okihara Kristy L; Thijssen Karen; Plasterk Ronald H A

CORPORATE SOURCE: Hubrecht Laboratory, Center for Biomedical Genetics, Uppsalalaan 8, 3584 CT, Utrecht, The Netherlands.

SOURCE: Current biology : CB, (2002 Sep 3) Vol. 12, No. 17, pp. 1535-40.  
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AB One of the remarkable aspects about RNA interference (RNAi) in *Caenorhabditis elegans* is that the trigger molecules, dsRNA, can be administered via the animal's food. We assayed whether this feature is a universal property of the species by testing numerous strains that have been isolated from different parts of the globe. We found that one isolate from Hawaii had a defect in RNAi that was specific to the germline and was a result of multiple mutations in a PAZ/PIWI domain-containing protein, which we named PPW-1. Deleting *ppw-1* in the canonical *C. elegans* strain Bristol N2 makes it resistant to feeding of dsRNA directed against germline-expressed genes. PPW-1 belongs to the Argonaute family of proteins, which act in posttranscriptional gene silencing and development, and is homologous to the RNAi gene *rde-1*. Our data indicate that at least two members of this family are required for complete and effective RNAi in *C. elegans*.

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TITLE: The dsRNA binding protein RDE-4 interacts with RDE-1, DCR-1, and a DEXH-box helicase to direct RNAi in *C. elegans*.  
AUTHOR: Tabara Hiroaki; Yigit Erbay; Siomi Haruhiko; Mello Craig C  
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AB Double-stranded (ds) RNA induces potent gene silencing, termed RNA interference (RNAi). At an early step in RNAi, an RNaseIII-related enzyme, Dicer (DCR-1), processes long-trigger dsRNA into small interfering RNAs (siRNAs). DCR-1 is also required for processing endogenous regulatory RNAs called miRNAs, but how DCR-1 recognizes its endogenous and foreign substrates is not yet understood. Here we show that the *C. elegans* RNAi pathway gene, *rde-4*, encodes a dsRNA binding protein that interacts during RNAi with RNA identical to the trigger dsRNA. RDE-4 protein also interacts in vivo with DCR-1, RDE-1, and a conserved DEXH-box helicase. Our findings suggest a model in which RDE-4 and RDE-1 function together to detect and retain foreign dsRNA and to present this dsRNA to DCR-1 for processing.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:914003 HCAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 138:333205  
TITLE: RNAi and related mechanisms and their potential use for therapy  
AUTHOR(S): Agami, Reuven  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Division of Tumor Biology and Center for Biomedical Genetics, The Netherlands Cancer Institute, Amsterdam,

1066 CX, Neth.  
 SOURCE: Current Opinion in Chemical Biology (2002), 6(6),  
 829-834  
 CODEN: COCBF4; ISSN: 1367-5931  
 PUBLISHER: Elsevier Science Ltd.  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; General Review  
 LANGUAGE: English  
 AB A review. Introduction of double-stranded RNAs into cells can suppress gene expression by mechanisms such as mRNA degradation or inhibition of translation. In mammalian cells, these two responses intersect, a feature that was recently used for the development of novel tools for stable and specific gene inactivation. These new tools were successfully applied to inhibit tumorigenicity and viral replication. Future development of appropriate in vivo delivery systems may make this technol. useful for disease therapy. Introduction of double-stranded RNAs into cells can suppress gene expression. This has recently found application in the development of novel tools for stable and specific gene inactivation. These new tools were successfully applied to inhibit tumorigenicity and viral replication.  
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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002083629 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 11809977  
 TITLE: RNA helicase MUT-14-dependent gene silencing triggered in C. elegans by short antisense RNAs.  
 AUTHOR: Tijsterman Marcel; Ketting Rene F; Okihara Kristy L; Sijen Titia; Plasterk Ronald H A  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Hubrecht Laboratory, Center for Biomedical Genetics, Uppsalalaan 8, 3584 CT, Utrecht, Netherlands.  
 SOURCE: Science, (2002 Jan 25) Vol. 295, No. 5555, pp. 694-7.  
 Journal code: 0404511. E-ISSN: 1095-9203.  
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 AB Posttranscriptional gene silencing in Caenorhabditis elegans results from exposure to double-stranded RNA (dsRNA), a phenomenon designated as RNA interference (RNAi), or from co-suppression, in which transgenic DNA leads to silencing of both the transgene and the endogenous gene. Here we show that single-stranded RNA oligomers of antisense polarity can also be potent inducers of gene silencing. As is the case for co-suppression, antisense RNAs act independently of the RNAi genes rde-1 and rde-4 but require the mutator/RNAi gene mut-7 and a putative DEAD box RNA helicase, mut-14. Our data favor the hypothesis that gene silencing is accomplished by RNA primer extension using the mRNA as template, leading to dsRNA that is subsequently degraded.

L6 ANSWER 30 OF 41 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 13  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002177600 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 11910010  
 TITLE: Fertile hypomorphic ARGONAUTE (ago1) mutants impaired in post-transcriptional gene silencing and virus resistance.  
 AUTHOR: Morel Jean-Benoit; Godon Christian; Mourrain Philippe; Beclin Christophe; Boutet Stephanie; Feuerbach Frank; Proux Florence; Vaucheret Herve  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Laboratoire de Biologie Cellulaire, Institut National de la Recherche Agronomique, 78026 Versailles Cedex, France.

SOURCE: The Plant cell, (2002 Mar) Vol. 14, No. 3, pp. 629-39.  
Journal code: 9208688. ISSN: 1040-4651.  
PUB. COUNTRY: United States  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)  
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AB Transgene-induced post-transcriptional gene silencing (PTGS) results from specific degradation of RNAs that are homologous with the transgene transcribed sequence. This phenomenon, also known as cosuppression in plants and quelling in fungi, resembles RNA interference (RNAi) in animals. Indeed, cosuppression/quelling/RNAi require related PAZ/PIWI proteins (AGO1/QDE-2/RDE-1), indicating that these mechanisms are related. Unlike *Neurospora crassa* qde-2 and *Caenorhabditis elegans* rde-1 mutants, which are morphologically normal, the 24 known *Arabidopsis* ago1 mutants display severe developmental abnormalities and are sterile. Here, we report the isolation of hypomorphic ago1 mutants, including fertile ones. We show that these hypomorphic ago1 mutants are defective for PTGS, like null sgs2, sgs3, and ago1 mutants, suggesting that PTGS is more sensitive than development to perturbations in AGO1. Conversely, a mutation in ZWILLE/PINHEAD, another member of the *Arabidopsis* AGO1 gene family, affects development but not PTGS. Similarly, mutations in ALG-1 and ALG-2, two members of the *C. elegans* RDE-1 gene family, affect development but not RNAi, indicating that the control of PTGS/RNAi and development by PAZ/PIWI proteins can be uncoupled. Finally, we show that hypomorphic ago1 mutants are hypersensitive to virus infection, confirming the hypothesis that in plants PTGS is a mechanism of defense against viruses.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002198477 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 11931230  
TITLE: RNAi (Nematodes: *Caenorhabditis elegans*).  
AUTHOR: Grishok Alla; Mello Craig C  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Program in Molecular Medicine, University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester 01605, USA.  
SOURCE: Advances in genetics, (2002) Vol. 46, pp. 339-60. Ref: 109  
Journal code: 0370421. ISSN: 0065-2660.  
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AB RNA interference in *Caenorhabditis elegans* is a type of homology dependent posttranscriptional gene silencing induced by dsRNA. In this chapter we describe the history of the discovery of RNAi, its systemic nature, inheritance, and connection to other homology-dependent silencing phenomena like co-suppression and transcriptional gene silencing. We discuss RNAi-deficient mutants in *C. elegans* as well as characterized components of the RNAi pathway, the molecular mechanism of RNAi, and its possible role in development and immunity.

L6 ANSWER 32 OF 41 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 15  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002120843 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 11835276

TITLE: Control of developmental timing by small temporal RNAs: a paradigm for RNA-mediated regulation of gene expression.  
AUTHOR: Banerjee Diya; Slack Frank  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Molecular, Cellular and Development Biology, Yale University, 266 Whitney Ave., New Haven, CT 06520, USA.  
SOURCE: BioEssays : news and reviews in molecular, cellular and developmental biology, (2002 Feb) Vol. 24, No. 2, pp. 119-29. Ref: 61  
Journal code: 8510851. ISSN: 0265-9247.  
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AB Heterochronic genes control the timing of developmental programs. In *C. elegans*, two key genes in the heterochronic pathway, *lin-4* and *let-7*, encode small temporally expressed RNAs (stRNAs) that are not translated into protein. These stRNAs exert negative post-transcriptional regulation by binding to complementary sequences in the 3' untranslated regions of their target genes. stRNAs are transcribed as longer precursor RNAs that are processed by the RNase Dicer/DCR-1 and members of the RDE-1/AGO1 family of proteins, which are better known for their roles in RNA interference (RNAi). However, stRNA function appears unrelated to RNAi. Both sequence and temporal regulation of *let-7* stRNA is conserved in other animal species suggesting that this is an evolutionarily ancient gene. Indeed, *C. elegans*, *Drosophila* and humans encode at least 86 other RNAs with similar structural features to *lin-4* and *let-7*. We postulate that other small non-coding RNAs may function as stRNAs to control temporal identity during development in *C. elegans* and other organisms.  
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:300734 HCAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 134:321556  
TITLE: RNA interference pathway genes as tools for targeted genetic interference  
INVENTOR(S): Mello, Craig C.; Fire, Andrew; Tabara, Hiroaki; Grishok, Alla  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): University of Massachusetts, USA; Carnegie Institution of Washington  
SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 76 pp.  
CODEN: PIXXD2  
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AB Genes involved in double-stranded RNA interference (RNAi pathway genes) are identified and used to investigate the RNAi pathway. RNAi pathway components provide activities necessary for double-stranded RNA-dependent gene silencing (genetic interference). Genes RDE-1 and RDE-4 were identified using screens for *Caenorhabditis elegans* strains mutant for RNAi, and the mutations are further characterized for germline and somatic effects, effects on transposon mobilization, X chromosome loss and transgene silencing, and target tissue activity. The genes and their products are also useful for modulating RNAi pathway activity.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001574258 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 11680844

TITLE: Distinct roles for RDE-1 and RDE-4 during RNA interference in *Caenorhabditis elegans*.

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SOURCE: RNA (New York, N.Y.), (2001 Oct) Vol. 7, No. 10, pp. 1397-402.  
Journal code: 9509184. ISSN: 1355-8382.

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AB RNA interference (RNAi) is a cellular defense mechanism that uses double-stranded RNA (dsRNA) as a sequence-specific trigger to guide the degradation of homologous single-stranded RNAs. RNAi is a multistep process involving several proteins and at least one type of RNA intermediate, a population of small 21-25 nt RNAs (called siRNAs) that are initially derived from cleavage of the dsRNA trigger. Genetic screens in *Caenorhabditis elegans* have identified numerous mutations that cause partial or complete loss of RNAi. In this work, we analyzed cleavage of injected dsRNA to produce the initial siRNA population in animals mutant for *rde-1* and *rde-4*, two genes that are essential for RNAi but that are not required for organismal viability or fertility. Our results suggest distinct roles for RDE-1 and RDE-4 in the interference process. Although null mutants lacking *rde-1* show no phenotypic response to dsRNA, the amount of siRNAs generated from an injected dsRNA trigger was comparable to that of wild-type. By contrast, mutations in *rde-4* substantially reduced the population of siRNAs derived from an injected dsRNA trigger. Injection of chemically synthesized 24- or 25-nt siRNAs could circumvent RNAi

resistance in rde-4 mutants, whereas no bypass was observed in rde-1 mutants. These results support a model in which RDE-4 is involved before or during production of siRNAs, whereas RDE-1 acts after the siRNAs have been formed.

L6 ANSWER 35 OF 41 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 17  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001412025 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 11461699  
TITLE: Genes and mechanisms related to RNA interference regulate expression of the small temporal RNAs that control *C. elegans* developmental timing.  
AUTHOR: Grishok A; Pasquinelli A E; Conte D; Li N; Parrish S; Ha I; Baillie D L; Fire A; Ruvkun G; Mello C C  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Program in Molecular Medicine, University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester, MA 01605, USA.  
CONTRACT NUMBER: GM07321 (NIGMS)  
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SOURCE: Cell, (2001 Jul 13) Vol. 106, No. 1, pp. 23-34.  
Journal code: 0413066. ISSN: 0092-8674.  
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ENTRY MONTH: 200108  
ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 13 Aug 2001  
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AB RNAi is a gene-silencing phenomenon triggered by double-stranded (ds) RNA and involves the generation of 21 to 26 nt RNA segments that guide mRNA destruction. In *Caenorhabditis elegans*, *lin-4* and *let-7* encode small temporal RNAs (stRNAs) of 22 nt that regulate stage-specific development. Here we show that inactivation of genes related to RNAi pathway genes, a homolog of *Drosophila* Dicer (*dcr-1*), and two homologs of *rde-1* (*alg-1* and *alg-2*), cause heterochronic phenotypes similar to *lin-4* and *let-7* mutations. Further we show that *dcr-1*, *alg-1*, and *alg-2* are necessary for the maturation and activity of the *lin-4* and *let-7* stRNAs. Our findings suggest that a common processing machinery generates guide RNAs that mediate both RNAi and endogenous gene regulation.

L6 ANSWER 36 OF 41 MEDLINE on STN  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000207007 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 10741970  
TITLE: Genetic requirements for inheritance of RNAi in *C. elegans*.  
AUTHOR: Grishok A; Tabara H; Mello C C  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Program in Molecular Medicine, Department of Cell Biology, University of Massachusetts Cancer Center, Two Biotech Suite 213, 373 Plantation Street, Worcester, MA 01605, USA.  
CONTRACT NUMBER: GM58800 (NIGMS)  
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AB In *Caenorhabditis elegans*, the introduction of double-stranded RNA triggers sequence-specific genetic interference (RNAi)



that is transmitted to offspring. The inheritance properties associated with this phenomenon were examined. Transmission of the interference effect occurred through a dominant extragenic agent. The wild-type activities of the RNAi pathway genes *rde-1* and *rde-4* were required for the formation of this interfering agent but were not needed for interference thereafter. In contrast, the *rde-2* and *mut-7* genes were required downstream for interference. These findings provide evidence for germ line transmission of an extragenic sequence-specific silencing factor and implicate *rde-1* and *rde-4* in the formation of the inherited agent.

L6 ANSWER 37 OF 41 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 18  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001022703 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 11016954  
 TITLE: AGO1, QDE-2, and RDE-1 are related proteins required for post-transcriptional gene silencing in plants, quelling in fungi, and RNA interference in animals.  
 AUTHOR: Fagard M; Boutet S; Morel J B; Bellini C; Vaucheret H  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Laboratoire de Biologie Cellulaire, Institut National de la Recherche Agronomique, 78026 Versailles Cedex, France.  
 SOURCE: Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America, (2000 Oct 10) Vol. 97, No. 21, pp. 11650-4.  
 Journal code: 7505876. ISSN: 0027-8424.  
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AB Introduction of transgene DNA may lead to specific degradation of RNAs that are homologous to the transgene transcribed sequence through phenomena named post-transcriptional gene silencing (PTGS) in plants, quelling in fungi, and RNA interference (RNAi) in animals. It was shown previously that PTGS, quelling, and RNAi require a set of related proteins (SGS2, QDE-1, and EGO-1, respectively). Here we report the isolation of Arabidopsis mutants impaired in PTGS which are affected at the Argonautel (AGO1) locus. AGO1 is similar to QDE-2 required for quelling and RDE-1 required for RNAi. Sequencing of *ago1* mutants revealed one amino acid essential for PTGS that is also present in QDE-2 and RDE-1 in a highly conserved motif. Taken together, these results confirm the hypothesis that these processes derive from a common ancestral mechanism that controls expression of invading nucleic acid molecules at the post-transcriptional level. As opposed to *rde-1* and *qde-2* mutants, which are viable, *ago1* mutants display several developmental abnormalities, including sterility. These results raise the possibility that PTGS, or at least some of its elements, could participate in the regulation of gene expression during development in plants.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000123929 EMBASE  
 TITLE: Genetic requirements for inheritance of RNAi in *C. elegans*.  
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AB In *Caenorhabditis elegans*, the introduction of double-stranded RNA triggers sequence-specific genetic interference (RNAi) that is transmitted to offspring. The inheritance properties associated with this phenomenon were examined. Transmission of the interference effect occurred through a dominant extragenic agent. The wild-type activities of the RNAi pathway genes *rde-1* and *rde-4* were required for the formation of this interfering agent but were not needed for interference thereafter. In contrast, the *rde-2* and *mut-7* genes were required downstream for interference. These findings provide evidence for germ line transmission of an extragenic sequence-specific silencing factor and implicate *rde-1* and *rde-4* in the formation of the inherited agent.

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TITLE: Transgene-mediated cosuppression in the *C-elegans* germ line  
AUTHOR: Dernburg A F; Zalevsky J; Colaiacovo M P; Villeneuve A M (Reprint)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Stanford Univ, Sch Med, Dept Dev Biol, Stanford, CA 94305 USA (Reprint); Stanford Univ, Sch Med, Dept Genet, Stanford, CA 94305 USA  
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SOURCE: GENES & DEVELOPMENT, (1 JUL 2000) Vol. 14, No. 13, pp. 1578-1583.  
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AB Functional silencing of chromosomal loci can be induced by transgenes (cosuppression) or by introduction of double-stranded RNA (RNAi). Here, we demonstrate the generality of and define rules for a transgene-mediated cosuppression phenomenon in the *Caenorhabditis elegans* germ line. Functional repression is not a consequence of persistent physical association between transgenes and endogenous genes or of mutations in affected genes. The cosuppression mechanism likely involves an RNA mediator that defines its target specificity, reminiscent of RNAi. Cosuppression is strongly abrogated in *rde-2* and *mut-7* mutants, but is not blocked in an *rde-1* mutant, indicating that cosuppression and RNAi have overlapping but distinct genetic requirements.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:156834 HCAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 132:343839  
TITLE: Gene silencing: shrinking the black box of RNAi

AUTHOR(S): Hunter, Craig P.  
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 SOURCE: Current Biology (2000), 10(4), R137-R140  
 CODEN: CUBLE2; ISSN: 0960-9822  
 PUBLISHER: Elsevier Science Ltd.  
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 AB A review with 25 refs. The mysterious mechanism whereby the mere presence of double-stranded RNA can inactivate specific genes is yielding its secrets. Recent results identifying cellular components required for RNAi (RNA interference) in *Caenorhabditis elegans* indicate that the mechanism is conserved, ancient and may provide a defense against selfish DNA.  
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 TITLE: The rde-1 gene, RNA interference, and transposon silencing in *C. elegans*.  
 AUTHOR: Tabara H; Sarkissian M; Kelly W G; Fleenor J; Grishok A; Timmons L; Fire A; Mello C C  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Cell Biology, Program in Molecular Medicine, University of Massachusetts Cancer Center, Worcester 01605, USA.  
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AB Double-stranded (ds) RNA can induce sequence-specific inhibition of gene function in several organisms. However, both the mechanism and the physiological role of the interference process remain mysterious. In order to study the interference process, we have selected *C. elegans* mutants resistant to dsRNA-mediated interference (RNAi). Two loci, *rde-1* and *rde-4*, are defined by mutants strongly resistant to RNAi but with no obvious defects in growth or development. We show that *rde-1* is a member of the piwi/sting/argonaute/zwillie/eIF2C gene family conserved from plants to vertebrates. Interestingly, several, but not all, RNAi-deficient strains exhibit mobilization of the endogenous transposons. We discuss implications for the mechanism of RNAi and the possibility that one natural function of RNAi is transposon silencing.

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PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Mitsubishi Chemical Corporation, Japan

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AB The object of the present invention is to provide ES cells and mammals having enhanced RNAi effect, which can be used to analyze gene functions at an individual level. The present invention provides ES cells having enhanced RNAi effect, which are obtained by performing genetic manipulation on ES cells.

L9 ANSWER 2 OF 25 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 1

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2005441202 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 16107851

TITLE: Animal virus replication and RNAi-mediated antiviral silencing in Caenorhabditis elegans.

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SOURCE: Nature, (2005 Aug 18) Vol. 436, No. 7053, pp. 1040-3. Journal code: 0410462. E-ISSN: 1476-4687.

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AB The worm *Caenorhabditis elegans* is a model system for studying many aspects of biology, including host responses to bacterial pathogens, but it is not known to support replication of any virus. Plants and insects encode multiple Dicer enzymes that recognize distinct precursors of small RNAs and may act cooperatively. However, it is not known whether the single Dicer of worms and mammals is able to initiate the small RNA-guided RNA interference (RNAi) antiviral immunity as occurs in plants and insects. Here we show complete replication of the Flock house virus (FHV) bipartite, plus-strand RNA genome in *C. elegans*. We show that FHV replication in *C. elegans* triggers potent antiviral silencing that requires RDE-1, an Argonaute protein essential for RNAi mediated by small interfering RNAs (siRNAs) but not by microRNAs. This immunity system is capable of rapid virus clearance in the absence of FHV B2 protein, which acts as a broad-spectrum RNAi inhibitor upstream of *rde-1* by targeting the siRNA precursor. This work establishes a *C. elegans* model for genetic studies of animal virus-host interactions and indicates that mammals might use a siRNA pathway as an antiviral response.

L9 ANSWER 3 OF 25 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 2

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2005137829 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 15741313  
TITLE: Transcriptional silencing of a transgene by RNAi in the soma of *C. elegans*.  
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CORPORATE SOURCE: Center for Cancer Research, McGovern Institute, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139, USA.  
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SOURCE: Genes & development, (2005 Mar 15) Vol. 19, No. 6, pp. 683-96. Electronic Publication: 2005-03-01.  
Journal code: 8711660. ISSN: 0890-9369.

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AB The silencing of transgene expression at the level of transcription in the soma of *Caenorhabditis elegans* through an RNAi-dependent pathway has not been previously characterized. Most gene silencing due to RNAi in *C. elegans* occurs at the post-transcriptional level. We observed transcriptional silencing when worms containing the *elt-2::gfp/LacZ* transgene were fed RNA produced from the commonly used L4440 vector. The transgene and the vector share plasmid backbone sequences. This transgene silencing depends on multiple RNAi pathway genes, including *dcr-1*, *rde-1*, *rde-4*, and *rrf-1*. Unlike post-transcriptional gene silencing in worms, *elt-2::gfp/LacZ* silencing is dependent on the PAZ-PIWI protein Alg-1 and on the HP1 homolog Hpl-2. The latter is a chromatin silencing factor, and expression of the transgene is inhibited at the level of intron-containing precursor mRNA. This inhibition is accompanied by a

decrease in the acetylation of histones associated with the transgene. This transcriptional silencing in the soma can be distinguished from transgene silencing in the germline by its inability to be transmitted across generations and its dependence on the rde-1 gene. We therefore define this type of silencing as RNAi-induced Transcriptional Gene Silencing (RNAi-TGS). Additional chromatin-modifying components affecting RNAi-TGS were identified in a candidate RNAi screen.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2005:229753 SCISEARCH  
 THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 901FC  
 TITLE: A member of the polymerase beta nucleotidyltransferase superfamily is required for RNA interference in C-elegans  
 AUTHOR: Chen C C G; Simard M J; Tabara H; Brownell D R; McCollough J A; Mello C C (Reprint)  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Univ Massachusetts, Sch Med, Program Mol Med, Worcester, MA 01605 USA (Reprint); Univ Massachusetts, Sch Med, Howard Hughes Med Inst, Worcester, MA 01605 USA; Kyoto Univ, HMRO, Grad Sch Med, Kyoto 6068501, Japan craig.mello@umassmed.edu  
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 SOURCE: CURRENT BIOLOGY, (22 FEB 2005) Vol. 15, No. 4, pp. 378-383  
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 PUBLISHER: CELL PRESS, 1100 MASSACHUSETTS AVE, CAMBRIDGE, MA 02138 USA.  
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AB RNA interference (RNAi) is an ancient, highly conserved mechanism in which small RNA molecules (siRNAs) guide the sequence-specific silencing of gene expression [1]. Several silencing machinery protein components have been identified, including helicases, RNase-related proteins, double- and singlestranded RNA binding proteins, and RNA-dependent RNA polymerase-related proteins [2]. Work on these factors has led to the revelation that RNAi mechanisms intersect with cellular pathways required for development and fertility [3, 4]. Despite rapid progress in understanding key steps in the RNAi pathway, it is clear that many factors required for both RNAi and related developmental mechanisms have not yet been identified. Here, we report the characterization of the C. elegans gene rde-3. Genetic analysis of presumptive null alleles indicates that rde-3 is required for siRNA accumulation and for efficient RNAi in all tissues, and it is essential for fertility and viability at high temperatures. RDE-3 contains conserved domains found in the polymerase beta nucleotidyltransferase superfamily, which includes conventional poly(A) polymerases, 2'-5' oligoadenylate synthetase (OAS), and yeast Trf4p [5]. These findings implicate a new enzymatic modality in RNAi and suggest possible models for the role of RDE-3 in the RNAi mechanism.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2005:659496 SCISEARCH  
 THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 939JA  
 TITLE: Molecular characterization of Entamoeba histolytica RNase III and AGO2, two RNA interference hallmark proteins  
 AUTHOR: Abed M; Ankri S (Reprint)  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Technion Israel Inst Technol, Bruce Rappaport Fac Med,

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AB Entamoeba histolytica, a protozoan parasite with variable DNA content  
and complex ploidity, has defied most efforts aimed at gene depletion  
using classical genetic methods. In this study, we identified and  
characterized two proteins involved in the RNA interference (RNAi  
) pathway, RNase III and AGO2. Our results strengthen the findings that  
an RNAi pathway does exist in this parasite. (c) 2005 Elsevier  
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DUPLICATE 3

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2004-12362 BIOTECHDS

TITLE: Inhibiting RNAi response in cell, by contacting  
cell with dsRNA involved in RNAi response, and  
inhibiting RNAi response, useful for increasing  
lifespan or treating premature aging in a subject who has  
abnormal aging disorder;  
RNA interference response inhibition for use in disease  
therapy and gene therapy

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LANGUAGE: English

OTHER SOURCE: WPI: 2004-305156 [28]

AB DERWENT ABSTRACT:

NOVELTY - Inhibiting (M1) an RNAi response in a cell, involves  
contacting the cell with a dsRNA involved in the RNAi response,  
thus inhibiting an RNAi response in a cell.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the  
following: (1) inhibiting (M2) an RNAi response in a subject,  
involves administering a dsRNA involved in the RNAi response to  
the subject, thus inhibiting an RNAi response in a cell; (2)  
increasing (M3) lifespan or treating premature aging in a subject,  
involves carrying out (M2); and (3) altering (M4) lifespan regulation in  
a subject, involves contacting the organism with a dsRNA involved in the  
RNAi response, thus inhibiting an RNAi response in a  
cell.

BIOTECHNOLOGY - Preferred Method: In (M1), the dsRNA is a dicer  
(dcr-1) dsRNA, a rde-1 dsRNA, an smg-5 dsRNA, an  
ego-1 ds RNA, or a rde-4 ds RNA. The inhibition of the RNAi  
response in a cell modulates an age-associated parameter,  
expression of a lifespan associated gene chosen from cellular  
stress-response gene, an antimicrobial gene, a metabolic gene, a steroid  
or lipid-soluble hormone synthesis gene, a fatty acid desaturation gene  
or its homolog or ortholog. The inhibition of the RNAi response  
modulates the expression of a lifespan associated gene chosen

from cytochrome P450, an estradiol-17-beta-dehydrogenase, a alcohol/short-chain dehydrogenase, an esterase, a UDP-glucuronosyltransferase, an aminopeptidase, a carboxypeptidase, an amino-oxidase, an aminoacylase, an oligopeptide transporter, metallothionein, a receptor guanylate cyclase, a mitochondrial superoxide dismutase, a catalase, lysozyme, saposin, vitellogenin, glutathione-S-transferase, heat-shock protein, heat-shock factor, an F-box/cullin/Skp protein, an isocitrate lyase, a malate synthase ASMTL, insulin, IFG1 or IFG2 or its homolog or ortholog. The dcr-1 is human dcr-1, or C. elegans dcr-1. The age-associated parameter is lifespan. The modulation is inhibition of aging. The homolog or ortholog is a human homolog or ortholog.

ACTIVITY - Dermatological; Vasotropic; Nootropic; Cytostatic.

MECHANISM OF ACTION - Inhibitor of RNAi response (claimed). The ability of dicer dsRNA to inhibit RNAi response in a cell was determined. To lower daf-2 activity during the larval stages only, wild-type animals were grown on bacteria expressing daf-2 ds RNA and then shifted to bacteria expressing dcr-1 dsRNA as day 1 adults. Control animals were grown during development on the RNAi bacteria containing the vector only and then shifted to dcr-1 RNAi bacteria as day 1 adults. Animals were grown at 25 degreesC. Daf-2 RNA was inactivated using daf-2 specific RNAi. The animals were removed from the environment RNAi stimulus (food bacteria expressing daf-2 dsRNA). The RNAi response continued to exert its effect during the adult stages and caused an increased lifespan. By shifting these animals to dcr-1RNAi in early adulthood, increased lifespan was blocked, by blocking the existing RNAi response against daf-2. In the second experiment loss of mitochondrial electron transport activity during the early development stages caused an increased adult lifespan. In contrast to the daf-2 experiment, this increased lifespan could not be reduced if the animals were shifted to dcr-1 RNAi as adults.

USE - (M1) is useful for inhibiting an RNAi response in a cell. (M2) is useful for inhibiting an RNAi response in a subject which is a mammal, preferably an adult. The mammal is a non-diabetic, non-obese adult who is not at risk for or does not have a premature aging disorder. The mammal is a healthy adult. (M3) is useful for increasing lifespan or treating premature aging in a subject who has abnormal aging disorder such as Werner syndrome, Hutchinson-Guilford disease, Bloom's syndrome, Cockayne's syndrome, ataxia telangiectasia, and Down's syndrome (claimed).

ADMINISTRATION - The dcr-1 dsRNA is administered by parental, oral, inhalation, transdermal or rectal routes of administration. No specific dosage details are given.

EXAMPLE - Total RNA was extracted from approximately 20000 synchronized, sterile animals using trizol. Before harvest, animals were exposed to bacteria containing the RNAi vector or containing the daf-2 RNAi construct from the L1 until the L4 larval stage or from day 8 until day 10 of adulthood. Four mug of total RNA was used for one round of reverse transcription (RT) using oligo dT primers. Serial dilutions of the RT reaction (1:1-1:245) was used for PCR reaction using daf-2 specific primers. RNAi was directed to a non-overlapping 5' end of daf-2. Serial dilutions of the RT reaction (1:1-1:2) was used for PCR reaction using daf-16 specific primers. RNAi was directed to a non-overlapping 5' end of daf-16. Four mul of a 50 mul PCR reaction was analyzed on agarose gels using ethidium bromide. Wild-type hermaphrodites were allowed to lay eggs onto the control RNAi bacteria or daf-2 RNAi bacteria at 20 degreesC. The eggs were then shifted to 27 degreesC and the presence of dauer larvae were scored 48 hours later when animals would normally be reproductive adults. Lifespan, reproduction and stress assays were conducted at 20 degreesC. The total number of progeny born to a single worm over time was measured. Briefly, worms hatched within a 1 hour period was collected and allowed to develop to the L4 stage. Once in the



L4 stage, worms were individually placed onto separate plates. In all cases, at least 15 worms were used for each analysis. Worms were transferred to new plates every 12 hours and the resulting progeny were allowed to grow for two days until counted for progeny measurements. The % of total progeny was calculated for each time point by dividing the number of progeny produced on a time point by the total number of progeny produced over the course of the experiment. (70 pages)

L9 ANSWER 7 OF 25 MEDLINE on STN DUPLICATE 4  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2004352241 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 15255192  
TITLE: Metalloproteases with EGF, CUB, and thrombospondin-1 domains function in molting of *Caenorhabditis elegans*.  
AUTHOR: Suzuki Mami; Sagoh Noriko; Iwasaki Hideki; Inoue Hideshi; Takahashi Kenji  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Laboratory of Molecular Biochemistry, School of Life Science, Tokyo University of Pharmacy and Life Science, 1432-1 Horinouchi, Hachioji, Tokyo 192-0392, Japan.  
SOURCE: Biological chemistry, (2004 Jun) Vol. 385, No. 6, pp. 565-8.  
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AB Functional analysis using RNAi was performed on eleven genes for metalloproteases of the M12A family in *Caenorhabditis elegans* and the interference of the C17G1.6 gene (nas-37) was found to cause incomplete molting. The RNAi of the C26C6.3 gene (nas-36) also caused a similar molting defect but not so severely as that of the nas-37 gene. Both the genes encode an astacin-like metalloprotease with an epidermal growth factor (EGF)-like domain, a CUB domain, and a thrombospondin-1 domain, in this order. The promoter-driven green fluorescent protein (GFP) expression analysis suggested that they are expressed in hypodermal cells throughout the larval stages and in the vulva of adult animals. In the genetic background of *rde-1(ne219)*, where RNAi does not work, the molting defect caused by the nas-37 interference was observed when the transgenic wild-type *rde-1* gene was expressed under the control of the *dpy-7* promoter, known to be active in the hypodermal cells, but not under the control of the *myo-3* promoter, active in the muscular cells. Therefore these proteases are thought to be secreted by the hypodermal cells and to participate in shedding of old cuticles.

L9 ANSWER 8 OF 25 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2006 ACS on STN  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2004:240580 HCAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 141:49068  
TITLE: RNA interference: a practical approach  
AUTHOR(S): Duxbury, Mark S.; Whang, Edward E.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Brigham and Women's Hospital, Department of Surgery, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA, 02115, USA  
SOURCE: Journal of Surgical Research (2004), 117(2), 339-344  
CODEN: JSGRA2; ISSN: 0022-4804  
PUBLISHER: Elsevier Science  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; General Review  
LANGUAGE: English  
AB A review. Few new mol. biol. techniques have advanced to find practical application as rapidly as RNA interference (RNAi). RNAi denotes the highly specific posttranslational silencing of gene expression that occurs in response to the introduction of

double-stranded RNA into a cell. The purpose of this review is to present practical guidelines for designing and executing RNAi expts. We summarize the mechanisms underlying RNAi in mammalian cells and focus on practical advice for investigators conducting RNAi expts. We suggest criteria to help select a suitable target gene sequence, define the structural characteristics of effective siRNAs, discuss transfection strategies, and describe exptl. design, including important control methods. RNAi represents a powerful tool for determining the functions of specific genes.

REFERENCE COUNT: 38 THERE ARE 38 CITED REFERENCES AVAILABLE FOR THIS RECORD. ALL CITATIONS AVAILABLE IN THE RE FORMAT

L9 ANSWER 9 OF 25 BIOTECHDS COPYRIGHT 2006 THE THOMSON CORP. on STN  
DUPLICATE 5

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2004-00966 BIOTECHDS

TITLE: Novel embryonic stem cell having increased RNA interference effect and obtained by genetically manipulating embryonic stem cells, useful for analysis of gene function in organisms

functional genomics study involving use of transfected stem cell and transgenic animal model

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AB DERWENT ABSTRACT:

NOVELTY - Embryonic stem cell (I) having increased RNA interference (RNAi) effect obtained by genetically manipulating an embryonic stem cell, is new.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - An INDEPENDENT CLAIM is included for a non-human mammal and its off spring derived from (I) or its part.

BIOTECHNOLOGY - Preferred Stem cell: (I) is obtained by introducing a RNAi related gene to an embryonic stem cell. The RNAi related gene is a gene which codes a factor associated with the formation of a sequence specific intermediate, a gene which codes a factor associated with target gene suppression, a gene which codes a RNA dependent RNA polymerase or a gene which codes a helicase. The RNAi related gene is preferably Nematode rde-1 or rde-4 gene, fungi qde-2 gene, Arabidopsis ago-1 gene, a dicer gene or its homolog gene which codes the protein of a PAZ/Piwi family etc., nematode Mut-7 gene, nematode rde-2, fungi qde-1 gene, nematode ego-1 gene, Arabidopsis sgs 2/sde 1 gene, fungi qde-3 gene, nematode smg-2 gene, Chlamydomonas mut 6 gene or Arabidopsis sde 3 gene, more preferably nematode rde-1 gene or Mut-7 gene. (I) is obtained by introducing a expression vector containing a RNAi related gene which can be expressed within a host cell, into an embryonic stem cell. (I) further comprises a recombinant gene (II) which contains a inverse repeat sequence of a target gene that can be expressed in a mammalian cell. (II) is present downstream of a promoter sequence functional in mammalian cell. (II) contains an enhancer sequence in the upstream of the promoter sequence, and further contains an insulator sequence or its fragment. (II) contains a poly A addition signal sequence in the downstream of the inverse repeat sequence of a target gene e.g., exogenous reporter protein or a gene encoding a variant protein. Preferably the exogenous reporter protein is enhanced green fluorescent protein (EGFP). Embryonic stem cell has an accession-number FERM P-18574 or P-18575. Preferred Mammal: The non-human mammal or its offspring is chosen from mouse, rat, hamster, guinea pig, rabbit dog, cat, horse, cow, sheep, pig, goat, and monkey.

USE - (I) is useful for analysis of gene function.

ADVANTAGE - A gene can be suppressed reliably. Related genes can be

analyzed rapidly compared to the knock-out method.

EXAMPLE - A embryonic stem cell d2EGFP was established as follows. The target gene encoding enhanced green fluorescent protein (EGFP) was used to establish the stem cell d2EGFP. The d2EGFP expression vector used was pUC19 5', 3' INS24 OCE EGFP. The vector was further inserted with an insulation sequence, a cytomegalovirus (CMV) enhances sequence and an EF-1 alpha sequence inserted to the right side of the BamH I fragment and pd2EGFP 5' INS240 CE was obtained. pd2EGFP 5' INS240 CE was digested using EcoR I and Bsa I and transfected into embryonic stem cell by electroporation method. pd2EGFP embryonic stem cell strain colony was confirmed by the EGFP fluorescence detected using a fluorescence microscope. The embryonic stem cells were cultured by standard methods. Each embryonic stem cell proliferated on the feeder cell was peeled by trypsin-EDTA and cultured in an gelatin coated plate. Then it was transfected using pUC19 5' INS240 EGFP IR having EGFP dsRNA gene containing inverse repeat sequence JP2001046089. A control was built using the plasmid with HPRT (Hypoxanthine phosphoribosyl transferase) dsRNA expression gene (inverse repeat sequence gene). The fluorescence of the cells were analyzed by FACScan. The fluorescence reduction was compared with the control which does not contain the gene. The results showed that the fluorescent reduction of the cell raises 28% compared to the control. (17 pages)

L9 ANSWER 10 OF 25 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2006 ACS on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:417858 HCAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 139:1986

TITLE: Facilitation of RNA interference (RNAi) in mammalian cell using invertebrate RNA-dependent RNA polymerase (RdRP) gene family involved in RNAi

INVENTOR(S): Mello, Craig C.; Conte, Darryl, Jr.; Chen, Chun-Chieh

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): University of Massachusetts, USA

SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 47 pp.  
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US 2003114409	A1	20030619	US 2002-295809	20021115
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WO 2002-US36725 W 20021115

AB The present invention features compns. and methods to induce or enhance RNA interference (RNAi) in cells, systems, and organisms using mols. that mediate RNAi in invertebrates such as Caenorhabditis elegans. The invention is based, in part, on the discovery that members of the C. elegans RNA-dependent RNA polymerase (RdRP) gene family, namely ego-1 and rrf-1 genes, are involved in, and can be essential for,

RNAi. Thus, RdRP expression can be used to induce or enhance RNAi in cells, including mammalian cells. RdRP genes can be expressed in combination with one or more of the other genes of the RNAi system, such as Dicer, RDE-1, or RDE-4.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:770070 SCISEARCH  
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 720HL  
TITLE: Transport of dsRNA into cells by the transmembrane protein SID-1  
AUTHOR: Feinberg E H; Hunter C P (Reprint)  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Harvard Univ, Dept Mol & Cellular Biol, 16 Divin Ave, Cambridge, MA 02138 USA (Reprint); Harvard Univ, Dept Mol & Cellular Biol, Cambridge, MA 02138 USA  
COUNTRY OF AUTHOR: USA  
SOURCE: SCIENCE, (12 SEP 2003) Vol. 301, No. 5639, pp. 1545-1547. ISSN: 0036-8075.  
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AB RNA interference (RNAi) spreads systemically in plants and nematodes to silence gene expression distant from the site of initiation. We previously identified a gene, sid-1, essential for systemic but not cell-autonomous RNAi in *Caenorhabditis elegans*. Here, we demonstrate that SID-1 is a multispan transmembrane protein that sensitizes *Drosophila* cells to soaking RNAi with a potency that is dependent on double-stranded RNA (dsRNA) length. Further analyses revealed that SID-1 enables passive cellular uptake of dsRNA. These data indicate that systemic RNAi in *C. elegans* involves SID-1-mediated intercellular transport of dsRNA.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:682305 SCISEARCH  
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 706RN  
TITLE: A gene encoding an RNase D exonuclease-like protein is required for post-transcriptional silencing in *Arabidopsis*  
AUTHOR: Glazov E; Phillips K; Budziszewski G J; Meins F (Reprint); Levin J Z  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Novartis Res Fdn, Friedrich Miescher Inst Biomed Res, Maulbeerstr 66, CH-4058 Basel, Switzerland (Reprint); Novartis Res Fdn, Friedrich Miescher Inst Biomed Res, CH-4058 Basel, Switzerland; Syngenta Biotechnol Inc, Res Triangle Pk, NC 27709 USA  
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SOURCE: PLANT JOURNAL, (AUG 2003) Vol. 35, No. 3, pp. 342-349. ISSN: 0960-7412.  
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AB Post-transcriptional gene silencing (PTGS) and the closely related phenomenon RNA interference (RNAi) result from the initial

endonucleolytic cleavage of target mRNAs, which are then presumed to be completely hydrolyzed by exoribonucleases. To date, no plant genes required for PTGS are known to encode exoribonucleases. The Arabidopsis Werner Syndrome-like exonuclease (WEX) gene encodes an RNase D domain most similar to that in human Werner Syndrome protein (WRN), but lacks the RecQ helicase domain. It is also related to *Caenorhabditis elegans* mut-7, which is essential for RNAi, PTGS, and transposon activity. We isolated a loss-of-function mutant, *wex-1*, that showed greatly reduced expression of WEX mRNA and early flowering. Although *wex-1* did not affect expression of a robust marker for transcriptional gene silencing (TGS), PTGS of a green-fluorescent-protein (GFP) reporter gene was blocked in *wex-1* and restored by ectopic expression of WEX, indicating that WEX is required for PTGS but not TGS. Thus, members of the RNase D protein family are required for PTGS in both plants and animals. Interestingly, WEX has been shown to interact with an Arabidopsis RecQ helicase, suggesting that these proteins might comprise a functional equivalent of WRN.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:1007849 SCISEARCH  
 THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 744YQ  
 TITLE: Transposon silencing in the *Caenorhabditis elegans* germ line by natural RNAi  
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 PUBLISHER: NATURE PUBLISHING GROUP, MACMILLAN BUILDING, 4 CRINAN ST, LONDON N1 9XW, ENGLAND.  
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AB Transposable elements are stretches of DNA that can move and multiply within the genome of an organism. The *Caenorhabditis elegans* genome contains multiple Tc1 transposons that jump in somatic cells, but are silenced in the germ line(1-3). Many mutants that have lost this silencing have also lost the ability to execute RNA interference (RNAi) (2,3), a process whereby genes are suppressed by exposure to homologous double-stranded RNA (dsRNA). Here we show how RNAi causes transposon silencing in the nematode germ line. We find evidence for transposon-derived dsRNAs, in particular to the terminal inverted repeats, and show that these RNAs may derive from read-through transcription of entire transposable elements. Small interfering RNAs of Tc1 were detected. When a germline-expressed reporter gene is fused to a stretch of Tc1 sequence, this transgene is silenced in a manner dependent on functional mutator genes (*mut-7*, *mut-16* and *pk732*). These results indicate that RNAi surveillance is triggered by fortuitous read-through transcription of dispersed Tc1 copies, which can form dsRNA as a result of 'snap-back' of the terminal inverted repeats. RNAi mediated by this dsRNA silences transposase gene expression.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:596077 SCISEARCH  
 THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 696HV

TITLE: Gene silencing in *Caenorhabditis elegans* by transitive RNA interference  
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SOURCE: RNA-A PUBLICATION OF THE RNA SOCIETY, (JAN 2003) Vol. 9, No. 1, pp. 25-32.  
ISSN: 1355-8382.  
PUBLISHER: COLD SPRING HARBOR LAB PRESS, PUBLICATIONS DEPT, 500 SUNNYSIDE BLVD, WOODBURY, NY 11797-2924 USA.  
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AB When a cell is exposed to double-stranded RNA (dsRNA), mRNA from the homologous gene is selectively degraded by a process called RNA interference (RNAi). Here, we provide evidence that dsRNA is amplified in *Caenorhabditis elegans* to ensure a robust RNAi response. Our data suggest a model in which mRNA targeted by RNAi functions as a template for 5' to 3' synthesis of new dsRNA (termed transitive RNAi). Strikingly, the effect is nonautonomous: dsRNA targeted to a gene expressed in one cell type can lead to transitive RNAi-mediated silencing of a second gene expressed in a distinct cell type. These data suggest dsRNA synthesized in vivo can mediate systemic RNAi.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002466218 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 12225671  
TITLE: PPW-1, a PAZ/PIWI protein required for efficient germline RNAi, is defective in a natural isolate of *C. elegans*.  
AUTHOR: Tijsterman Marcel; Okihara Kristy L; Thijssen Karen; Plasterk Ronald H A  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Hubrecht Laboratory, Center for Biomedical Genetics, Uppsalalaan 8, 3584 CT, Utrecht, The Netherlands.  
SOURCE: Current biology : CB, (2002 Sep 3) Vol. 12, No. 17, pp. 1535-40.  
Journal code: 9107782. ISSN: 0960-9822.  
PUB. COUNTRY: England; United Kingdom  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)  
LANGUAGE: English  
FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals  
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AB One of the remarkable aspects about RNA interference (RNAi) in *Caenorhabditis elegans* is that the trigger molecules, dsRNA, can be administered via the animal's food. We assayed whether this feature is a universal property of the species by testing numerous strains that have been isolated from different parts of the globe. We found that one isolate from Hawaii had a defect in RNAi that was specific to the germline and was a result of multiple mutations in a PAZ/PIWI domain-containing protein, which we named PPW-1. Deleting ppw-1 in the canonical *C. elegans* strain Bristol N2 makes it resistant to feeding of dsRNA directed against germline-expressed genes. PPW-1 belongs to the Argonaute family of proteins, which act in posttranscriptional gene silencing and development, and is homologous to the RNAi gene *rde-1*. Our data indicate that at least two members of

this family are required for complete and effective RNAi in *C. elegans*.

L9 ANSWER 16 OF 25 MEDLINE on STN  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002364170 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 12110183  
TITLE: The dsRNA binding protein RDE-4 interacts with RDE-1, DCR-1, and a DEXH-box helicase to direct RNAi in *C. elegans*.  
AUTHOR: Tabara Hiroaki; Yigit Erbay; Siomi Haruhiko; Mello Craig C  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Program in Molecular Medicine, University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester, MA 1605, USA.  
CONTRACT NUMBER: GM58800 (NIGMS)  
SOURCE: Cell, (2002 Jun 28) Vol. 109, No. 7, pp. 861-71.  
Journal code: 0413066. ISSN: 0092-8674.  
PUB. COUNTRY: United States  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)  
LANGUAGE: English  
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AB Double-stranded (ds) RNA induces potent gene silencing, termed RNA interference (RNAi). At an early step in RNAi, an RNaseIII-related enzyme, Dicer (DCR-1), processes long-trigger dsRNA into small interfering RNAs (siRNAs). DCR-1 is also required for processing endogenous regulatory RNAs called miRNAs, but how DCR-1 recognizes its endogenous and foreign substrates is not yet understood. Here we show that the *C. elegans* RNAi pathway gene, *rde-4*, encodes a dsRNA binding protein that interacts during RNAi with RNA identical to the trigger dsRNA. RDE-4 protein also interacts in vivo with DCR-1, RDE-1, and a conserved DEXH-box helicase. Our findings suggest a model in which RDE-4 and RDE-1 function together to detect and retain foreign dsRNA and to present this dsRNA to DCR-1 for processing.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:914003 HCAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 138:333205  
TITLE: RNAi and related mechanisms and their potential use for therapy  
AUTHOR(S): Agami, Reuven  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Division of Tumor Biology and Center for Biomedical Genetics, The Netherlands Cancer Institute, Amsterdam, 1066 CX, Neth.  
SOURCE: Current Opinion in Chemical Biology (2002), 6(6), 829-834  
CODEN: COCBF4; ISSN: 1367-5931  
PUBLISHER: Elsevier Science Ltd.  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; General Review  
LANGUAGE: English

AB A review. Introduction of double-stranded RNAs into cells can suppress gene expression by mechanisms such as mRNA degradation or inhibition of translation. In mammalian cells, these two responses intersect, a feature that was recently used for the development of novel tools for stable and specific gene inactivation. These new tools were successfully applied to inhibit tumorigenicity and viral replication. Future development of appropriate in vivo delivery systems may make this technol. useful for disease therapy. Introduction of double-stranded RNAs into cells can suppress gene expression. This has recently found application in the development of novel tools for stable and specific gene inactivation. These new tools were successfully applied to inhibit

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002047852 EMBASE  
TITLE: RNA helicase mut-14-dependent gene silencing triggered in  
C. elegans by short antisense RNAs.  
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COUNTRY: United States  
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AB Posttranscriptional gene silencing in Caenorhabditis elegans results from  
exposure to double-stranded RNA (dsRNA), a phenomenon designated as RNA  
interference (RNAi), or from co-suppression, in which transgenic  
DNA leads to silencing of both the transgene and the endogenous gene.  
Here we show that single-stranded RNA oligomers of antisense polarity can  
also be potent inducers of gene silencing. As is the case for  
co-suppression, antisense RNAs act independently of the RNAi  
genes rde-1 and rde-4 but require the mutator/  
RNAi gene mut-7 and a putative DEAD box RNA helicase, mut-14. Our  
data favor the hypothesis that gene silencing is accomplished by RNA  
primer extension using the mRNA as template, leading to dsRNA that is  
subsequently degraded.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:325987 SCISEARCH  
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 537ZC  
TITLE: Fertile hypomorphic ARGONAUTE (ago1) mutants impaired in  
post-transcriptional gene silencing and virus resistance  
AUTHOR: Morel J B; Godon C; Mourrain P; Beclin C; Boutet S;  
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AB Transgene-induced post-transcriptional gene silencing (PTGS) results  
from specific degradation of RNAs that are homologous with the transgene  
transcribed sequence. This phenomenon, also known as cosuppression in  
plants and quelling in fungi, resembles RNA interference (RNAi)  
in animals. Indeed, cosuppression/quelling/RNAi require related  
PAZ/PIWI proteins (AGO1/QDE-2/RDE-1), indicating that  
these mechanisms are related. Unlike Neurospora crassa qde-2 and



*Caenorhabditis elegans* rde-1 mutants, which are morphologically normal, the 24 known *Arabidopsis* ago1 mutants display severe developmental abnormalities and are sterile. Here, we report the isolation of hypomorphic ago I mutants, including fertile ones. We show that these hypomorphic ago1 mutants are defective for PTGS, like null sgs2, sgs3, and ago1 mutants, suggesting that PTGS is more sensitive than development to perturbations in AGO1. Conversely, a mutation in ZWILLE/PINHEAD, another member of the *Arabidopsis* AGO1 gene family, affects development but not PTGS. Similarly, mutations in ALG-1 and ALG-2, two members of the *C. elegans* RDE-1 gene family, affect development but not RNAi, indicating that the control of PTGS/RNAi and development by PAZ/PIWI proteins can be uncoupled. Finally, we show that hypomorphic ago1 mutants are hypersensitive to virus infection, confirming the hypothesis that in plants PTGS is a mechanism of defense against viruses.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002120843 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 11835276  
 TITLE: Control of developmental timing by small temporal RNAs: a paradigm for RNA-mediated regulation of gene expression.  
 AUTHOR: Banerjee Diya; Slack Frank  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Molecular, Cellular and Development Biology, Yale University, 266 Whitney Ave., New Haven, CT 06520, USA.  
 SOURCE: BioEssays : news and reviews in molecular, cellular and developmental biology, (2002 Feb) Vol. 24, No. 2, pp. 119-29. Ref: 61  
 Journal code: 8510851. ISSN: 0265-9247.  
 PUB. COUNTRY: England: United Kingdom  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)  
 General Review; (REVIEW)  
 LANGUAGE: English  
 FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals  
 ENTRY MONTH: 200207  
 ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 22 Feb 2002  
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 Entered Medline: 1 Jul 2002  
 AB Heterochronic genes control the timing of developmental programs. In *C. elegans*, two key genes in the heterochronic pathway, lin-4 and let-7, encode small temporally expressed RNAs (stRNAs) that are not translated into protein. These stRNAs exert negative post-transcriptional regulation by binding to complementary sequences in the 3' untranslated regions of their target genes. stRNAs are transcribed as longer precursor RNAs that are processed by the RNase Dicer/DCR-1 and members of the RDE-1/AGO1 family of proteins, which are better known for their roles in RNA interference (RNAi). However, stRNA function appears unrelated to RNAi. Both sequence and temporal regulation of let-7 stRNA is conserved in other animal species suggesting that this is an evolutionarily ancient gene. Indeed, *C. elegans*, *Drosophila* and humans encode at least 86 other RNAs with similar structural features to lin-4 and let-7. We postulate that other small non-coding RNAs may function as stRNAs to control temporal identity during development in *C. elegans* and other organisms.  
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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001412025 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 11461699  
 TITLE: Genes and mechanisms related to RNA interference regulate expression of the small temporal RNAs that control *C. elegans* developmental timing.  
 AUTHOR: Grishok A; Pasquinelli A E; Conte D; Li N; Parrish S; Ha I;

CORPORATE SOURCE: Baillie D L; Fire A; Ruvkun G; Mello C C  
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 SOURCE: Cell, (2001 Jul 13) Vol. 106, No. 1, pp. 23-34.  
 Journal code: 0413066. ISSN: 0092-8674.  
 PUB. COUNTRY: United States  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)  
 LANGUAGE: English  
 FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals  
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 ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 13 Aug 2001  
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AB RNAi is a gene-silencing phenomenon triggered by double-stranded  
 (ds) RNA and involves the generation of 21 to 26 nt RNA segments that  
 guide mRNA destruction. In *Caenorhabditis elegans*, *lin-4* and *let-7* encode  
 small temporal RNAs (stRNAs) of 22 nt that regulate stage-specific  
 development. Here we show that inactivation of genes related to  
 RNAi pathway genes, a homolog of *Drosophila* Dicer (*dcr-1*), and two  
 homologs of *rde-1* (*alg-1* and *alg-2*), cause  
 heterochronic phenotypes similar to *lin-4* and *let-7* mutations. Further we  
 show that *dcr-1*, *alg-1*, and *alg-2* are necessary for the maturation and  
 activity of the *lin-4* and *let-7* stRNAs. Our findings suggest that a  
 common processing machinery generates guide RNAs that mediate both  
 RNAi and endogenous gene regulation.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001022703 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 11016954  
 TITLE: AGO1, QDE-2, and RDE-1 are related  
 proteins required for post-transcriptional gene silencing  
 in plants, quelling in fungi, and RNA interference in  
 animals.  
 AUTHOR: Fagard M; Boutet S; Morel J B; Bellini C; Vaucheret H  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Laboratoire de Biologie Cellulaire, Institut National de la  
 Recherche Agronomique, 78026 Versailles Cedex, France.  
 SOURCE: Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the  
 United States of America, (2000 Oct 10) Vol. 97, No. 21,  
 pp. 11650-4.  
 Journal code: 7505876. ISSN: 0027-8424.  
 PUB. COUNTRY: United States  
 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)  
 LANGUAGE: English  
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 Entered Medline: 9 Nov 2000

AB Introduction of transgene DNA may lead to specific degradation of RNAs  
 that are homologous to the transgene transcribed sequence through  
 phenomena named post-transcriptional gene silencing (PTGS) in plants,  
 quelling in fungi, and RNA interference (RNAi) in animals. It  
 was shown previously that PTGS, quelling, and RNAi require a set  
 of related proteins (SGS2, QDE-1, and EGO-1, respectively). Here we  
 report the isolation of *Arabidopsis* mutants impaired in PTGS which are  
 affected at the Argonaut1 (AGO1) locus. AGO1 is similar to QDE-2  
 required for quelling and RDE-1 required for  
 RNAi. Sequencing of *ago1* mutants revealed one amino acid  
 essential for PTGS that is also present in QDE-2 and RDE-  
 1 in a highly conserved motif. Taken together, these results  
 confirm the hypothesis that these processes derive from a common ancestral

mechanism that controls expression of invading nucleic acid molecules at the post-transcriptional level. As opposed to rde-1 and qde-2 mutants, which are viable, ago1 mutants display several developmental abnormalities, including sterility. These results raise the possibility that PTGS, or at least some of its elements, could participate in the regulation of gene expression during development in plants.

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TITLE: Genetic requirements for inheritance of RNAi in C. elegans.  
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COUNTRY: United States  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article  
FILE SEGMENT: 004 Microbiology  
LANGUAGE: English  
SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English  
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AB In Caenorhabditis elegans, the introduction of double-stranded RNA triggers sequence-specific genetic interference (RNAi) that is transmitted to offspring. The inheritance properties associated with this phenomenon were examined. Transmission of the interference effect occurred through a dominant extragenic agent. The wild-type activities of the RNAi pathway genes rde-1 and rde-4 were required for the formation of this interfering agent but were not needed for interference thereafter. In contrast, the rde-2 and mut-7 genes were required downstream for interference. These findings provide evidence for germ line transmission of an extragenic sequence-specific silencing factor and implicate rde-1 and rde-4 in the formation of the inherited agent.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:535206 SCISEARCH  
THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 333TC  
TITLE: Transgene-mediated cosuppression in the C-elegans germ line  
AUTHOR: Dernburg A F; Zalevsky J; Colaiacovo M P; Villeneuve A M (Reprint)  
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COUNTRY OF AUTHOR: USA  
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PUBLISHER: COLD SPRING HARBOR LAB PRESS, 1 BUNGTOWN RD, PLAINVIEW, NY 11724 USA.  
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REFERENCE COUNT: 40  
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AB Functional silencing of chromosomal loci can be induced by transgenes

(cosuppression) or by introduction of double-stranded RNA (RNAi). Here, we demonstrate the generality of and define rules for a transgene-mediated cosuppression phenomenon in the *Caenorhabditis elegans* germ line. Functional repression is not a consequence of persistent physical association between transgenes and endogenous genes or of mutations in affected genes. The cosuppression mechanism likely involves an RNA mediator that defines its target specificity, reminiscent of RNAi. Cosuppression is strongly abrogated in *rde-2* and *mut-7* mutants, but is not blocked in an *rde-1* mutant, indicating that cosuppression and RNAi have overlapping but distinct genetic requirements.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999365904 EMBASE  
 TITLE: The *rde-1* gene, RNA interference, and transposon silencing in *C. elegans*.  
 AUTHOR: Tabara H.; Sarkissian M.; Kelly W.G.; Fleenor J.; Grishok A.; Timmons L.; Fire A.; Mello C.C.  
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 FILE SEGMENT: 002 Physiology  
 LANGUAGE: English  
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AB Double-stranded (ds) RNA can induce sequence-specific inhibition of gene function in several organisms. However, both the mechanism and the physiological role of the interference process remain mysterious. In order to study the interference process, we have selected *C. elegans* mutants resistant to dsRNA-mediated interference (RNAi). Two loci, *rde-1* and *rde-4*, are defined by mutants strongly resistant to RNAi but with no obvious defects in growth or development. We show that *rde-1* is a member of the *piwi/sting/argonaute/zwiller/elf2C* gene family conserved from plants to vertebrates. Interestingly, several, but not all, RNAi-deficient strains exhibit mobilization of the endogenous transposons. We discuss implications for the mechanism of RNAi and the possibility that one natural function of RNAi is transposon silencing.

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 L2 19880 S RNAI  
 L3 131 S L1 AND L2  
 L4 444660 S INTERFERENCE  
 L5 116 S L3 AND L4  
 L6 41 DUP REM L5 (75 DUPLICATES REMOVED)  
 L7 7844066 S CLON? OR EXPRESS? OR RECOMBINANT  
 L8 56 S L3 AND L7  
 L9 25 DUP REM L8 (31 DUPLICATES REMOVED)

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E7      2      MELLO G K/AU
E8      5      MELLO G P S/AU
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TITLE: Transcriptional silencing of a transgene by RNAi in the soma of C. elegans.

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AB The silencing of transgene expression at the level of transcription in the soma of Caenorhabditis elegans through an RNAi-dependent pathway

has not been previously characterized. Most gene silencing due to RNAi in *C. elegans* occurs at the post-transcriptional level. We observed transcriptional silencing when worms containing the *elt-2::gfp/LacZ* transgene were fed RNA produced from the commonly used L4440 vector. The transgene and the vector share plasmid backbone sequences. This transgene silencing depends on multiple RNAi pathway genes, including *dcr-1*, *rde-1*, *rde-4*, and *rrf-1*. Unlike post-transcriptional gene silencing in worms, *elt-2::gfp/lacZ* silencing is dependent on the PAZ-PIWI protein *Alg-1* and on the HP1 homolog *Hpl-2*. The latter is a chromatin silencing factor, and expression of the transgene is inhibited at the level of intron-containing precursor mRNA. This inhibition is accompanied by a decrease in the acetylation of histones associated with the transgene. This transcriptional silencing in the soma can be distinguished from transgene silencing in the germline by its inability to be transmitted across generations and its dependence on the *rde-1* gene. We therefore define this type of silencing as RNAi-induced Transcriptional Gene Silencing (RNAi-TGS). Additional chromatin-modifying components affecting RNAi-TGS were identified in a candidate RNAi screen. .COPYRGHT. 2005 by Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press.

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 TITLE: A member of the polymerase beta nucleotidyltransferase superfamily is required for RNA interference in *C-elegans*  
 AUTHOR: Chen C C G; Simard M J; Tabara H; Brownell D R; McCollough J A; Mello C C (Reprint)  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Univ Massachusetts, Sch Med, Program Mol Med, Worcester, MA 01605 USA (Reprint); Univ Massachusetts, Sch Med, Howard Hughes Med Inst, Worcester, MA 01605 USA; Kyoto Univ, HMRO, Grad Sch Med, Kyoto 6068501, Japan  
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AB RNA interference (RNAi) is an ancient, highly conserved mechanism in which small RNA molecules (siRNAs) guide the sequence-specific silencing of gene expression [1]. Several silencing machinery protein components have been identified, including helicases, RNase-related proteins, double- and singlestranded RNA binding proteins, and RNA-dependent RNA polymerase-related proteins [2]. Work on these factors has led to the revelation that RNAi mechanisms intersect with cellular pathways required for development and fertility (3, 4). Despite rapid progress in understanding key steps in the RNAi pathway, it is clear that many factors required for both RNAi and related developmental mechanisms have not yet been identified. Here, we report the characterization of the *C. elegans* gene *rde-3*. Genetic analysis of presumptive null alleles indicates that *rde-3* is required for siRNA accumulation and for efficient RNAi in all tissues, and it is essential for fertility and viability at high temperatures. RDE-3 contains conserved domains found in the polymerase beta nucleotidyltransferase superfamily, which includes conventional poly(A)

polymerases, 2'-5' oligoadenylate synthetase (OAS), and yeast Trf4p [5]. These findings implicate a new enzymatic modality in RNAi and suggest possible models for the role of RDE-3 in the RNAi mechanism.

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 DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 15653635  
 TITLE: RDE-2 interacts with MUT-7 to mediate RNA interference in *Caenorhabditis elegans*.  
 AUTHOR: Tops Bastiaan B J; Tabara Hiroaki; Sijen Titia; Simmer Femke; Mello Craig C; Plasterk Ronald H A; Ketting Rene F  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Hubrecht Laboratory, Centre for Biomedical Genetics Uppsalalaan 8, 3584 CT Utrecht, The Netherlands.  
 SOURCE: Nucleic acids research, (2005) Vol. 33, No. 1, pp. 347-55. Electronic Publication: 2005-01-13. Journal code: 0411011. E-ISSN: 1362-4962.  
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AB In *Caenorhabditis elegans*, the activity of transposable elements is repressed in the germline. One of the mechanisms involved in this repression is RNA interference (RNAi), a process in which dsRNA targets cleavage of mRNAs in a sequence-specific manner. The first gene found to be involved in RNAi and transposon silencing in *C. elegans* is *mut-7*, a gene encoding a putative exoribonuclease. Here, we show that the MUT-7 protein resides in complexes of approximately 250 kDa in the nucleus and in the cytosol. In addition, we find that upon triggering of RNAi the cytosolic MUT-7 complex increases in size. This increase is independent of the presence of target RNA, but does depend on the presence of RDE-1 and RDE-4, two proteins involved in small interfering RNA (siRNA) production. Finally, using a yeast two-hybrid screen, we identified RDE-2/MUT-8 as one of the other components of this complex. This protein is encoded by the *rde-2/mut-8* locus, previously implicated in RNAi and transposon silencing. Using genetic complementation analysis, we show that the interaction between these two proteins is required for efficient RNAi in vivo. Together these data support a role for the MUT-7/RDE-2 complex downstream of siRNA formation, but upstream of siRNA mediated target RNA recognition, possibly indicating a role in the siRNA amplification step.

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 TITLE: The dsRNA binding protein RDE-4 interacts with RDE-1, DCR-1, and a DExH-box helicase to direct RNAi in *C. elegans*.  
 AUTHOR: Tabara Hiroaki; Yigit Erbay; Siomi Haruhiko; Mello Craig C  
 CORPORATE SOURCE: Program in Molecular Medicine, University of Massachusetts Medical School, Worcester, MA 1605, USA.  
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AB Double-stranded (ds) RNA induces potent gene silencing, termed RNA interference (RNAi). At an early step in RNAi, an RNaseIII-related enzyme, Dicer (DCR-1), processes long-trigger dsRNA into small interfering RNAs (siRNAs). DCR-1 is also required for processing endogenous regulatory RNAs called miRNAs, but how DCR-1 recognizes its endogenous and foreign substrates is not yet understood. Here we show that the *C. elegans* RNAi pathway gene, *rde-4*, encodes a dsRNA binding protein that interacts during RNAi with RNA identical to the trigger dsRNA. RDE-4 protein also interacts in vivo with DCR-1, RDE-1, and a conserved DEXH-box helicase. Our findings suggest a model in which RDE-4 and RDE-1 function together to detect and retain foreign dsRNA and to present this dsRNA to DCR-1 for processing.

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 TITLE: RNA interference pathway genes as tools for targeted genetic interference  
 INVENTOR(S): Mello, Craig C.; Fire, Andrew; Tabara, Hiroaki; Grishok, Alla  
 PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): University of Massachusetts, USA; Carnegie Institution of Washington  
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AB Genes involved in double-stranded RNA interference (RNAi pathway genes) are identified and used to investigate the RNAi pathway. RNAi pathway components provide activities necessary for double-stranded RNA-dependent gene silencing (genetic interference). Genes RDE-1 and RDE-4 were identified using screens for *Caenorhabditis elegans* strains mutant for RNAi, and the mutations are further characterized for germline and somatic effects,

effects on transposon mobilization, X chromosome loss and transgene silencing, and target tissue activity. The genes and their products are also useful for modulating RNAi pathway activity.

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TITLE: Distinct roles for RDE-1 and RDE-4  
during RNA interference in *Caenorhabditis elegans*.  
AUTHOR: Parrish S; Fire A  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Embryology, Carnegie Institution of  
Washington, Baltimore, Maryland 21210, USA.  
CONTRACT NUMBER: GM07231 (NIGMS)  
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AB RNA interference (RNAi) is a cellular defense mechanism that uses double-stranded RNA (dsRNA) as a sequence-specific trigger to guide the degradation of homologous single-stranded RNAs. RNAi is a multistep process involving several proteins and at least one type of RNA intermediate, a population of small 21-25 nt RNAs (called siRNAs) that are initially derived from cleavage of the dsRNA trigger. Genetic screens in *Caenorhabditis elegans* have identified numerous mutations that cause partial or complete loss of RNAi. In this work, we analyzed cleavage of injected dsRNA to produce the initial siRNA population in animals mutant for *rde-1* and *rde-4*, two genes that are essential for RNAi but that are not required for organismal viability or fertility. Our results suggest distinct roles for RDE-1 and RDE-4 in the interference process. Although null mutants lacking *rde-1* show no phenotypic response to dsRNA, the amount of siRNAs generated from an injected dsRNA trigger was comparable to that of wild-type. By contrast, mutations in *rde-4* substantially reduced the population of siRNAs derived from an injected dsRNA trigger. Injection of chemically synthesized 24- or 25-nt siRNAs could circumvent RNAi resistance in *rde-4* mutants, whereas no bypass was observed in *rde-1* mutants. These results support a model in which RDE-4 is involved before or during production of siRNAs, whereas RDE-1 acts after the siRNAs have been formed.

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TITLE: Genes and mechanisms related to RNA interference regulate expression of the small temporal RNAs that control *C. elegans* developmental timing.  
AUTHOR: Grishok A; Pasquinelli A E; Conte D; Li N;  
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CORPORATE SOURCE: Program in Molecular Medicine, University of Massachusetts  
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AB RNAi is a gene-silencing phenomenon triggered by double-stranded (ds) RNA and involves the generation of 21 to 26 nt RNA segments that guide mRNA destruction. In *Caenorhabditis elegans*, *lin-4* and *let-7* encode small temporal RNAs (stRNAs) of 22 nt that regulate stage-specific development. Here we show that inactivation of genes related to RNAi pathway genes, a homolog of *Drosophila* Dicer (*dcr-1*), and two homologs of *rde-1* (*alg-1* and *alg-2*), cause heterochronic phenotypes similar to *lin-4* and *let-7* mutations. Further we show that *dcr-1*, *alg-1*, and *alg-2* are necessary for the maturation and activity of the *lin-4* and *let-7* stRNAs. Our findings suggest that a common processing machinery generates guide RNAs that mediate both RNAi and endogenous gene regulation.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000207007 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PubMed ID: 10741970  
TITLE: Genetic requirements for inheritance of RNAi in *C. elegans*.  
AUTHOR: Grishok A; Tabara H; Mello C C  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Program in Molecular Medicine, Department of Cell Biology, University of Massachusetts Cancer Center, Two Biotech Suite 213, 373 Plantation Street, Worcester, MA 01605, USA.  
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AB In *Caenorhabditis elegans*, the introduction of double-stranded RNA triggers sequence-specific genetic interference (RNAi) that is transmitted to offspring. The inheritance properties associated with this phenomenon were examined. Transmission of the interference effect occurred through a dominant extragenic agent. The wild-type activities of the RNAi pathway genes *rde-1* and *rde-4* were required for the formation of this interfering agent but were not needed for interference thereafter. In contrast, the *rde-2* and *mut-7* genes were required downstream for interference. These findings provide evidence for germ line transmission of an extragenic sequence-specific silencing factor and implicate *rde-1* and *rde-4* in the formation of the inherited agent.

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TITLE: Genetic requirements for inheritance of RNAi in *C. elegans*.  
AUTHOR: Grishok A.; Tabara H.; Mello C.C.

CORPORATE SOURCE: C.C. Mello, Program in Molecular Medicine, Department of Cell Biology, Univ. of Massachusetts Cancer Center, 373 Plantation Street, Worcester, MA 01605, United States. craig.mello@ummed.edu  
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TITLE: The *rde-1* gene, RNA interference, and transposon silencing in *C. elegans*.  
AUTHOR: Tabara H; Sarkissian M; Kelly W G; Fleenor J; Grishok A; Timmons L; Fire A; Mello C C  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Cell Biology, Program in Molecular Medicine, University of Massachusetts Cancer Center, Worcester 01605, USA.  
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AB Double-stranded (ds) RNA can induce sequence-specific inhibition of gene function in several organisms. However, both the mechanism and the physiological role of the interference process remain mysterious. In order to study the interference process, we have selected *C. elegans* mutants resistant to dsRNA-mediated interference (RNAi). Two loci, *rde-1* and *rde-4*, are defined by mutants strongly resistant to RNAi but with no obvious defects in growth or development. We show that *rde-1* is a member of the *piwi/sting/argonaute/zwiller/eIF2C* gene family conserved from plants to vertebrates. Interestingly, several, but not all, RNAi-deficient strains exhibit mobilization of the endogenous transposons. We discuss implications for the mechanism of RNAi and the possibility that one natural function of RNAi is transposon silencing.

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